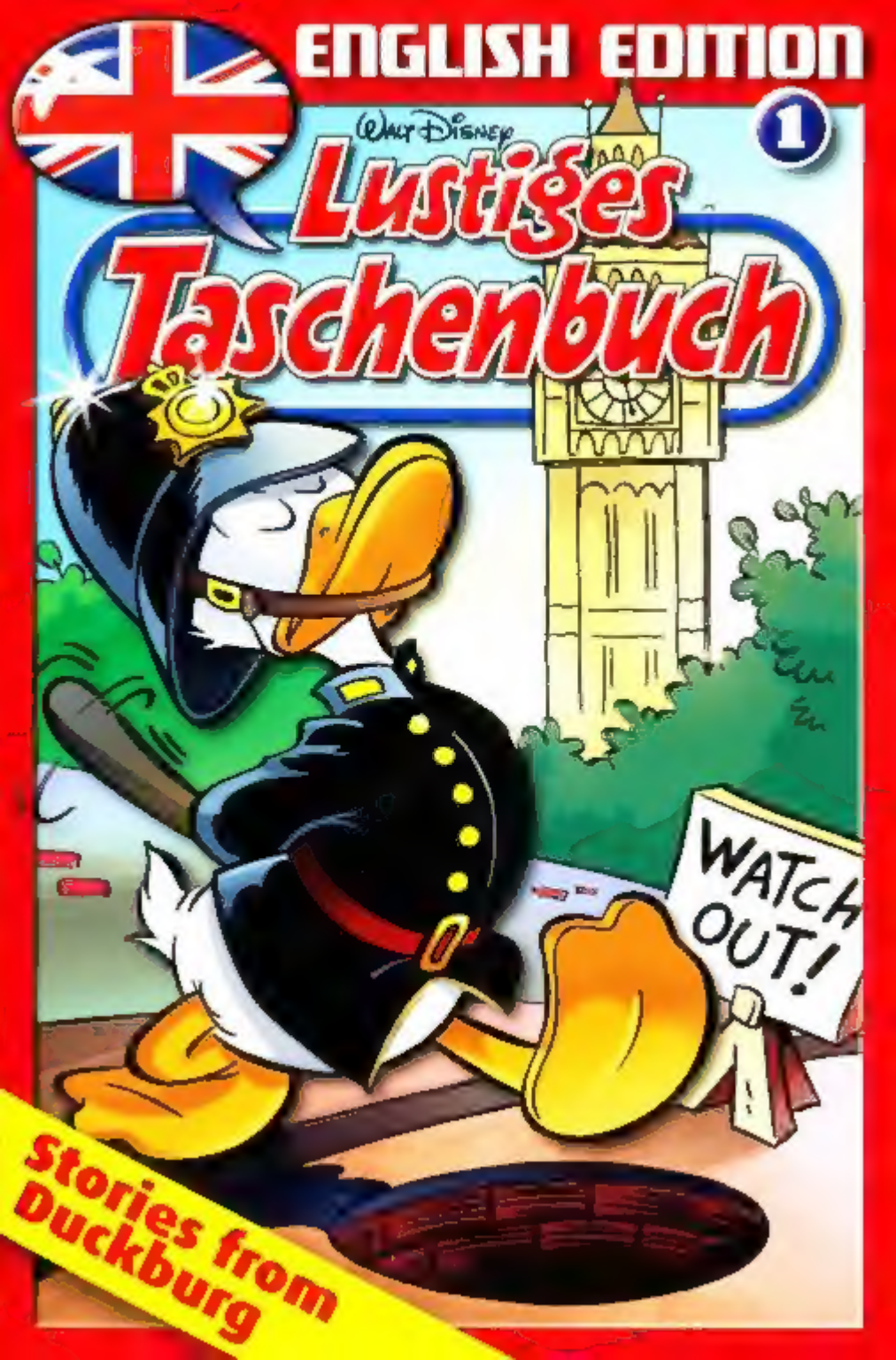
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Dear Reader,

this very special pocketbook is the first „Lustiges Taschenbuch" (Funny Paperback) in English.

Meet the familiar characters from Duckburg — Donald, Mickey, Scrooge, Huey, Dewey, Louie, Gyro, Gladstone, Magica and all the others — in the original English version.

All the stories have been re-edited to make the language clear and simple. We think that the great comics tradition of combining words and pictures is an easy and entertaining way to learn English.
You don't need to be a native speaker or a professional translator to enjoy these very funny stories.

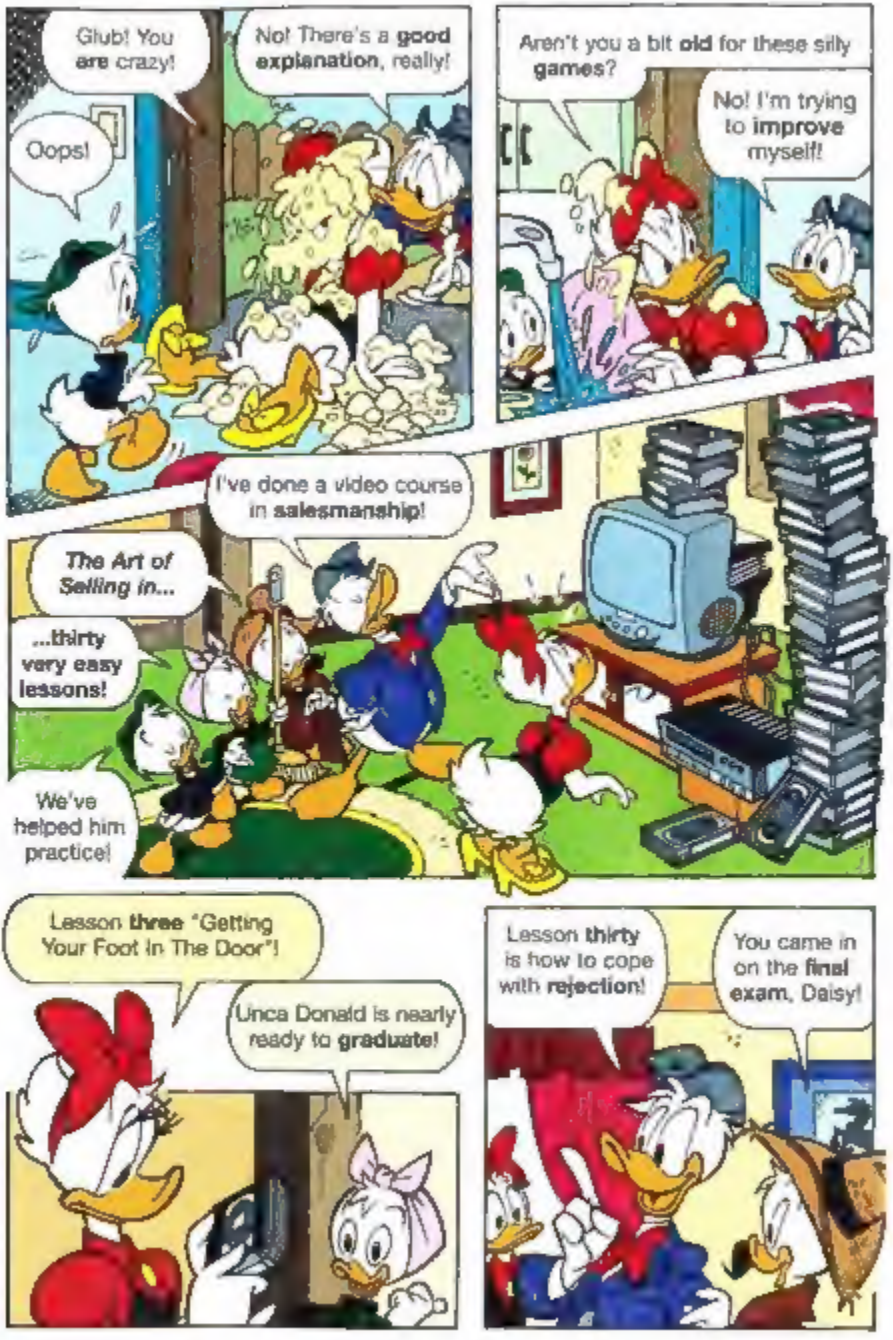
However, if there are some words you find difficult there is a dictionary at the back of the book.

Have fun!

HEALTHY CHOICE
Walt Disney
Good morning, Madame!
It was, until you came along!
?

I have something here I'm **sure** you'll want to see!
My brushes have a **lifetime** guarantee and a multitude of **uses**!
All I want to see is your **back**, you slippery scalawag!
This is only **one** of my many **handy items**!
SLAAAAM!
Oh, **my**!
I don't **want** any brushes!
Ta-tee-dum-dum-dee!
?
TAPPA-TAP-TAP
Good day to **you**, sir! I'd like to **introduce** you to—

Go peddle your trinkets somewhere **else**, buddy!
If at first I don't succeed...
I have to find out what this is **about**!
Dum-dee-dee-doo, lah-dee!
KNOCK-KNOCK-KNOCK-KNOCK
Donald! Are you **crazy**?
I can explain! But I think you'd better **move**—
No, no, Dewey! It's **Daisy**!
SPLURT!
Mmfff!


Glub! You **are** crazy!
No! There's a **good explanation**, really!
Oops!
Aren't you a bit **old** for these silly **games**?
No! I'm trying to **improve** myself!
I've done a video course in **salesmanship**!
The Art of Selling in...
...thirty very easy lessons!
We've helped him practice!
Lesson **three** "Getting Your Foot In The Door"!
Unca Donald is nearly ready to **graduate**!
Lesson **thirty** is how to cope with **rejection**!
You came in on the **final exam**, Daisy!

Here's your diploma.
I'm on my way to a new career!
Getting a job will be easy! All I have to do is apply my education!
BOFFO YOU CAN'T DO WITHOUT IT!
have to promote myself like a product — BOFFO for example! That's how I will get a job!
How often do you ask yourself "What do we really need?"
?
How often do you feel that something important is missing?
Well, now that you mention it

It's a statistical fact that sales go up when more people buy things!
Er... true!
Let me show you something with huge appeal: a spotless track record, and great growth potential!
What is it?
I'm sold
Donald Duck, master salesman!
Wait! You didn't let me finish!
Buzz off, duck! That may be a great sales pitch
..but all Duckburg knows your uncontrollable temper! We can't risk hiring you!
Waak! You don't know what you're missing!

have a **degree** in advanced marketing. I **majored** in handling **rejection**—
You ought to get your money back!
What do they know?
don't need to work for a **company** anyway! Maybe a **friend** wants to go into **partnership**!
Hmm! **Gyro** always comes up with something worth selling!
INVENTOR
CLOSE-OUT SPECIALS
BIODEGRADABLE PAPER CLIPS

Donald Duck is here!
Good to see you, Donald!
How did it know it was me?
ve programmed it with height and brainwave information on everyone know!
Absolutely amazing! What are you working on here?
It s an automated butterfly! Safe both indoors and outside!
What good is it?
It pollinates houseplants and synthesizes honey flawlessly! All I have to do is convince bees not to make fun of it

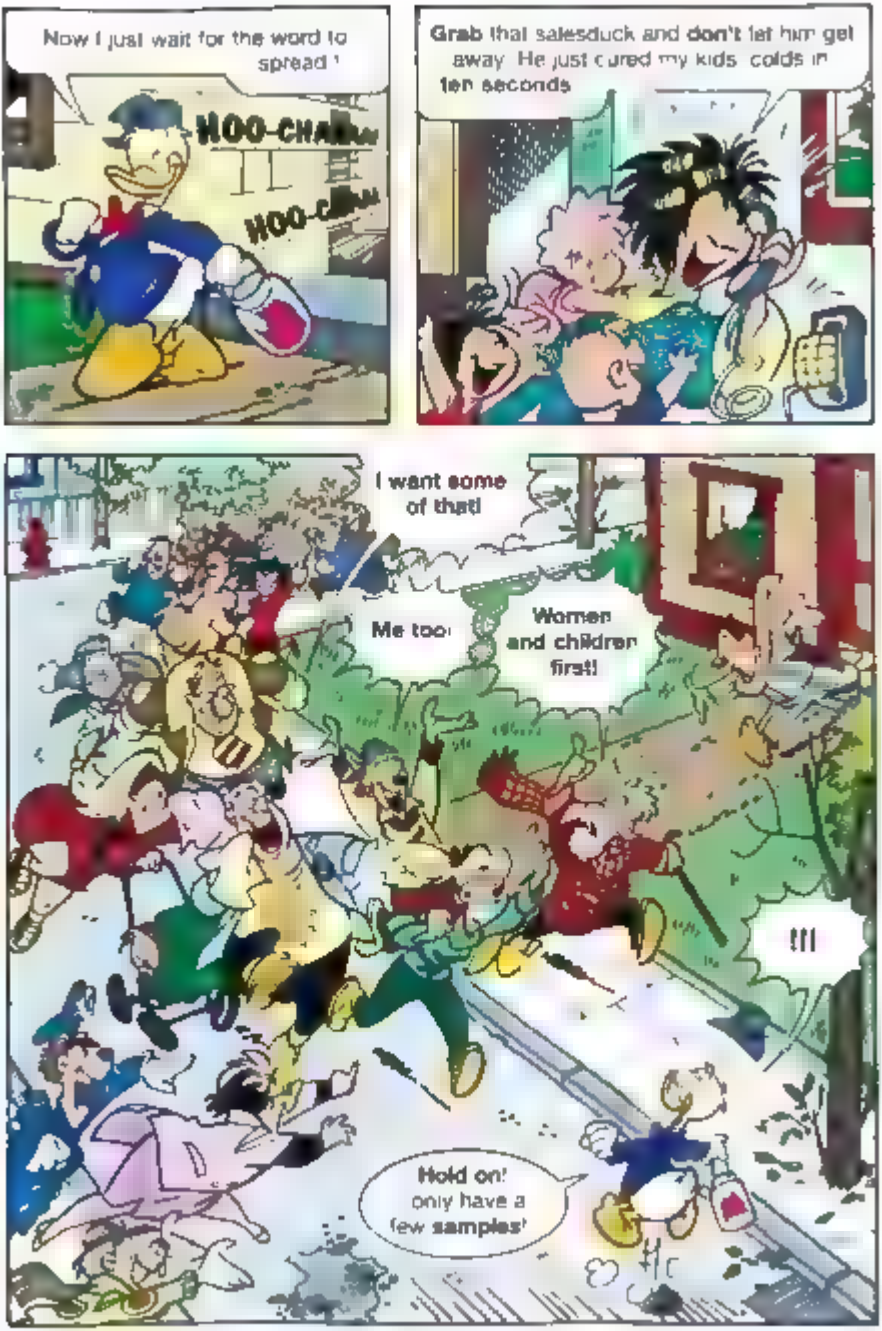
I need your **help**! I can sell anything, but I don't **have** anything to sell!
What a coincidence!
I have **lots** of inventions, but need a better way to **sell** them!
Let's make some money!
I don't care about money! But I'd be glad if people **saved time** and **improved** their lives with my inventions
like this **laser-powered bowling ball reshaper**!
Or this combined **umbrella** and **spaghetti-strainer**!

Or this pedal-operated pocket watch-
Aw, Gyro! Bring out the big guns.
Well, do have something, but.
Tell me!
Well, it's just a permanent cure for the common cold. But I don't know—
WAK!
A cure for colds, and you don't know if people want it? Of course they do, Gyro!
I'm not so sure.
It's a genetically-engineered backwards virus sort of a disease in reverse! People might not like the sound of that!
Re-name it then, Gyro!

That's not all! The way you take it is sort of... um... strange!
You break open this capsule in front of you and it creates the effect of a backwards sneeze!
Let me try it!
But you don't have a cold!
Lesson two "Always believe in your product."
SNAP!
HOOOOO-CHAAA!
Sniff! I hope it works!
My inventions always work.

So let's **market** the stuff and rid the world of **sniffles!**
It's always best to be **cautious.**
Lesson **four**: "Never let caution get in the way of a sale!" Is this all you have?
Yes. B- but
Fire up and make **lots more quickly!** Go into full production **immediately!**
I'll be back with enough orders to pay for **all** our costs!
I hope this is a **good idea.**
"Give products **snappy names!**" That's lesson **seven!** Now let's see!
I've got it - **SNIFFLEZAP!** Time to start **selling!**

So —
NO MORE COLDS EVER!
When I'm cold, I turn up the heat
With this, you won't catch a cold again
Nice! But I'm too old to play catch!
Good day, Madame! I have something you've been dreaming of!
A free holiday in the Bahamas?
Sniffiezap gets rid of colds forever!
I WANT IT!
D-did I mention the money-back guarantee?


Now I just wait for the word to spread !
HOO-CHAA
HOO-CHAA
Grab that salesduck and don't let him get away He just cured my kids colds in ten seconds
I want some of that!
Me too!
Women and children first!
!!!
Hold on! only have a few samples!

Two weeks later and our boys are running an industry –
SniffleZap is spreading faster than the colds We need to step up production Gyro
NOOOO-CHAAA!
NOOOO-CHAAA!
NOOOOO-CHAAA
NOOOO-CHAAA.
It's so crowded n here hardly have room to work!
We have to expand! We need a factory

We haven't made enough money for that! Factories cost millions!
You aren't thinking big!
We haven't evaluated the long-term effects of my pills.
That will have to come later!
Sigh! That's what worries me!
This is a first! Me with a proposition Scrooge can't refuse!
You're going to be so proud of me that you'll loan me lots of money!
Huh! Two impossibilities in one sentence!

have a permanent cure for colds, and need a factory so everyone can come and—
Ack! might have guessed!

McDuck Cruise Lines has just suffered a record drop in revenue!
Uh no!

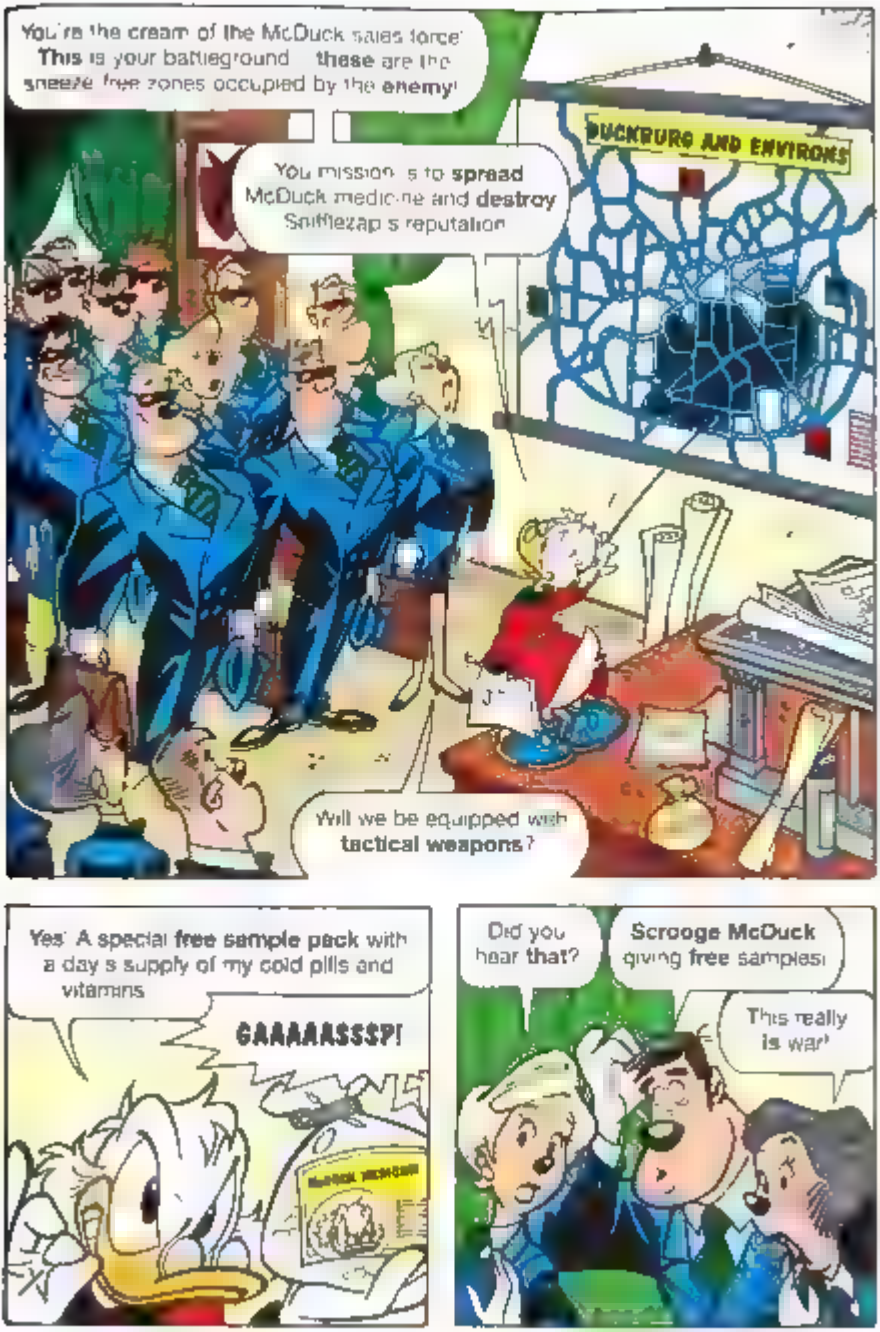
Cold-ridden citizens don't need to take a holiday in the Bahamas anymore!
?

They don't have the colds anymore! They no longer need traditional remedies, either!

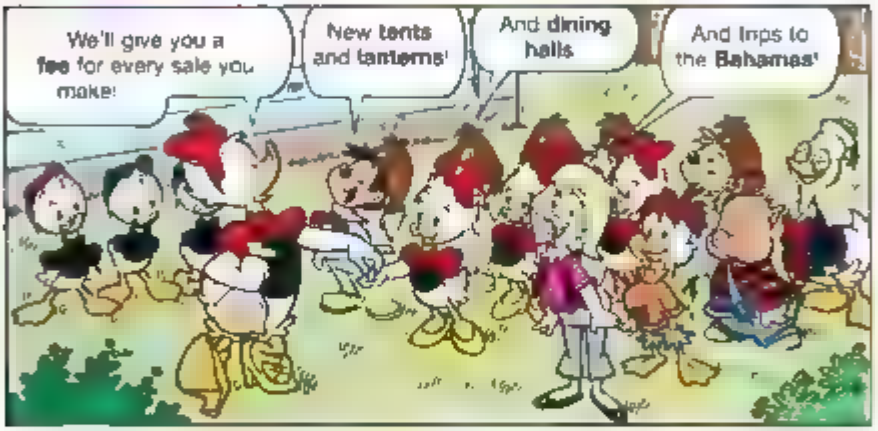
Who do you think owns those companies?
Ulp!

have a warehouse full of vitamin C that nobody wants!

But all you have to do is invest in my product!
A cure I can only sell once? It'll ruin my business forever!
I'll crush your Sniffiezap with my own marketing might!
You mean this is war?
Choose your weapons!
Can you reprogram that machine to produce more cures in less time with no money? We're in big trouble!
Boy! A little education sure is a dangerous thing!


You're the cream of the McDuck sales force! This is your battleground... these are the sneeze free zones occupied by the enemy!
DUCKBURG AND ENVIRONS
Your mission is to spread McDuck medicine and destroy Sniffleazo's reputation!
Will we be equipped with tactical weapons?
Yes! A special free sample pack with a day's supply of my cold pills and vitamins
GAAAAASSSP!
Did you hear that?
Scrooge McDuck giving free samples!
This really is war!

Unca Donald needs **help**!
We can do this! We took the marketing course with him
Call out your friends! We still need **further reinforcements**


We'll give you a **fee** for every sale you make!
New **tents** and **lanterns**!
And **dining halls**
And trips to the **Bahamas**!

May we take **prisoners**?
Absolutely not! Sonny! We want **customers**, and not enemies!

Break your Sniffiezap capsules men
SNAP! SNAP!
SNAP!
SNAP!

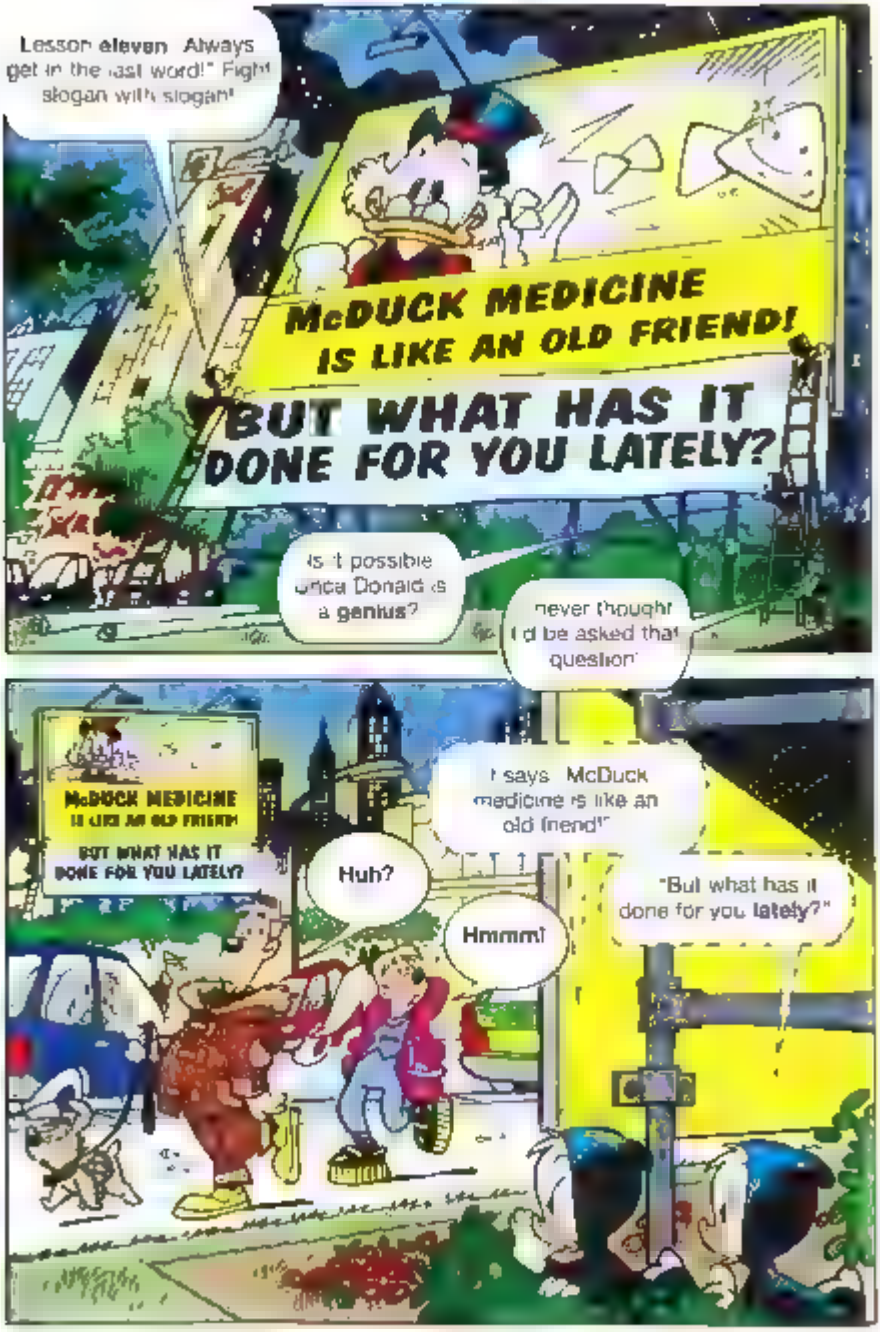
What s our battle cry?
HOOOOOOOOOO-CHAAA!
Let s hope we re successful!
We will be! If we think big!
History is made by those who take the long view!
Donald! We ve never
done any long-term studies!
For Pete s sake! There'll be time for those later!

The sales battle begins! Our boys are outselling Uncle Scrooge's forces —
HOOOOO-CHAAA!
HOOOOO-CHAAA!
HOOOOO-CHAAA!
HOOOOO-CHAAA!
I think we're behind the front
I think I've got a cold!

We've been **beaten** by the ducks and their friends, the **Junior Gophers!**
AH-CHOO!
Woodchucks
Whatever
Face it! The competition has a **better** product!
When has that ever stopped **McDuck?**
Cough! Cough! I know why we're all sick! We're the **only** outlet for the area's germs! All others are immune!
Sniffle! At least we have **free samples**
McDUCK MEDICINE
What's the matter with **Ed?**
Ahhhh-um! Nothing!
I guess I'm just **naturally healthy! Heh, Heh**

Your agencies handle the advertising for McDuck Industries! You convince people to buy things they **don't need!**
Yes indeed!
Our campaign **tripled** the sales of coal in Newcastle!
And Sludgy Ice Cream here!
But we never got Eskimos to buy it!
How could **we** know they'd hate peppermint?
Behold your new **killer slogan!** Tested on **statistically-selected** groups of average citizens!
McDUCK MEDICINE IS LIKE AN OLD FRIEND!
We'll convince folks that a cold treated with McDuck cold pills is **better** than no cold!

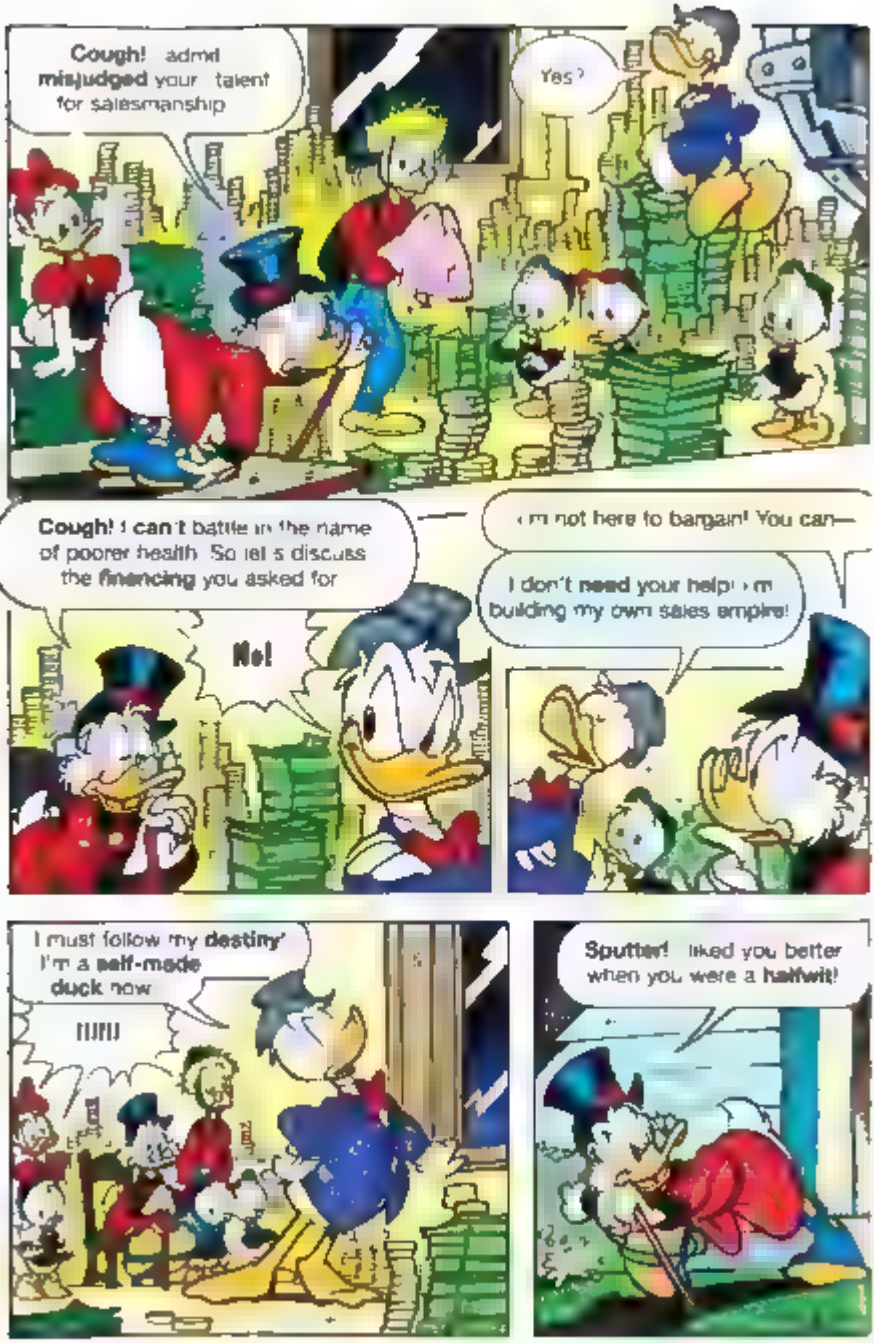
McDUCK MEDICINE IS LIKE AN OLD FRIEND!
McDUCK MEDICINE IS LIKE AN OLD FRIEND!
McDuck medicine's like an old friend!
Scrooge sure is putting on the pressure!
What chance has he got against Sniffiezap?
My mom used to give me McDuck's pills when I was sick.
Yes, they were always reliable!
Uh-oh!
Advertising is powerful stuff!
We are in trouble!
Hah! Not if we fight back!


Lesson eleven: Always get in the last word!" Fight slogan with slogan!
McDUCK MEDICINE IS LIKE AN OLD FRIEND!
BUT WHAT HAS IT DONE FOR YOU LATELY?
Is it possible Uncle Donald is a genius?
never thought I'd be asked that question
McDUCK MEDICINE IS LIKE AN OLD FRIEND!
BUT WHAT HAS IT DONE FOR YOU LATELY?
Huh?
Hmmm!
It says McDuck medicine is like an old friend!"
"But what has it done for you lately?"

McDUCK MEDICINE IS LIKE AN OLD FRIEND! WHAT HAS IT FOR YOU LATELY?
Ha-ha! What has it done for me lately?
Haven't I needed it lately!
Boy, you got that right!
I guess it is possible!
They're laughing at my pills!
Phase two is ready!
These TV commercials will run every hour, half-hour and quarter-hour!
Everybody knows that TV makes it impossible to think!
I'm a doctor. You can trust me! Ten out of ten practitioners agree nothing will cure the common cold
but you can depend on McDuck Medicine for relief! Anyone who tells you differently is a quack!
That's a powerful message!

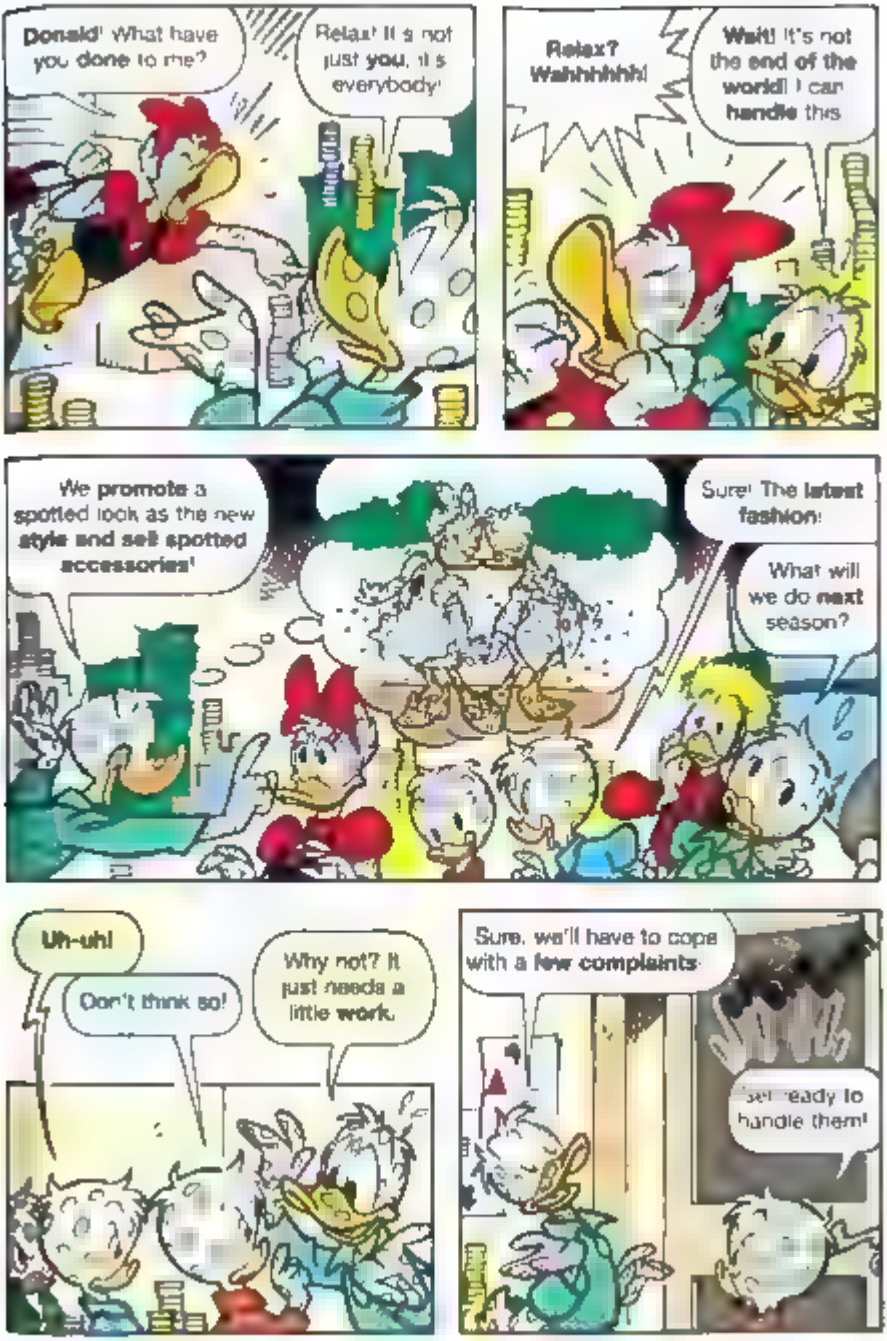
' is a quack!'
We can't match Uncle Scrooge's campaign!
I've got another idea to top Uncle Scrooge's ideas!
Lesson six "Turn your liabilities into assets!"
SNIFFLEZAP
NOW
ENDORSED BY
DR. QUACK
AS MENTIONED ON TV!
Where will it all end?
It is getting to be rather frightening
Our sales are up again!
Unca Donald really seems to know what he's doing!
But I'm not sure I like him as a genius!
Mr. McDuck isn't himself these days, either

That's for sure
Bah! I can take the financial loss. But to admit Donald's outselling me? That's too much.
WORRY ROOM
I have my researchers invent a product to make people want a cold—
What am I fighting for? What am I fighting against?
Maybe I'm ruthless, but do have a conscience!
Sigh! Get my nephew for me, please!


Cough! admit misjudged your talent for salesmanship
Yes?
Cough! I can't battle in the name of poorer health So let s discuss the financing you asked for
No!
I'm not here to bargain! You can—
I don't need your help! I'm building my own sales empire!
I must follow my destiny I'm a self-made duck now
!!!!!!
Sputter! liked you better when you were a halfwit!

Come the dawn
Yawn! The world is mine to conquer!
Even if everyone just buys it once in their lives, my fortune will be made!
can I miss! With my personality, my good looks—
Wak!
We already know
Boys Something terrible has happened!

We have to tell Gyro quick!
I wondered when you'd get here!
I tried to tell you we should have done long-term studies to determine the [redacted]
Side effects? They are on my front, too!
They appear after four weeks and seem to be permanent
But, nothing else is wrong. We're still immune to colds, and as an extra bonus.
Snifflezap improves eyesight
don't think that's going to make anybody happier!


Donald! What have you done to me?
Relax! It's not just you, it's everybody!
Relax? Wahhhhhh!
Wait! It's not the end of the world! I can handle this
We promote a spotted look as the new style and sell spotted accessories!
Sure! The latest fashion!
What will we do next season?
Uh-uh!
Don't think so!
Why not? It just needs a little work.
Sure, we'll have to cope with a few complaints
Get ready to handle them!

complain
GULP!

If we weren't satisfied with Snifflezap you guaranteed we could have our money back
Heh! Heh! I guess I did didn't I ?
Well I'm back in familiar territory! Once again, I'm just a duck in a fix!
Oh, Donald!
And if you don't get rid of these spots we'll see you in court
I can invent an antidote for Snifflezap! But it will take a big laboratory to produce it!
That will be expensive! Where will we get the money?
That's an odd question to ask now!
There is only one answer! And it will make my disgrace complete!
Poor unca Donald!

Sigh! I'm right back to where things always start
asking Uncle Scrooge for help!
said some things I wish I hadn't do need you
Tut! I'm not proud of my own behavior, nephew!
But at least I'm not covered with spots!
That's why I'm here! Gyro needs a laboratory!
He can use my biggest one! It's not doing anything else right now, anyway!
McDUCK MEDICINE INC.
Phew! What a relief

Weeks later —
Cough! Things are back to norma but colds are worse than ever
preferred the spots Sniff! Sniff!
SNIFF!
Choo
COUGH!
COUGH!
Everybody s sick except you! Why?
changed Snifflezap a bit
It works much better now!
Really?
No side effects this time?
Just a minor one!
!!!!
I ve decided it s worth it!
don t think the people of Duckburg would buy that!

And so —
I thank Uncle Scrooge for the use of his lab! He enjoys it when I grovel! Sniff!
Wheeze! Come, Donald! Sniff!
Choo! You seem to be pretty chipper!
Cough! Why shouldn't I be?
Sales of my cold pills have never been higher
Here, have some Vitamin C, on me!
END

A Girl For Gladstone
Walt Disney
Gladstone has dropped in on Uncle Scrooge for a visit! But he finds his cousin Donald has arrived ahead of him...
Deliver these contracts to the Duke's villa. Then you can relax on the Riviera until he signs them!
Why do you always give Donald such choice assignments, Uncle Scrooge?
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You don't need to work for me, Gladstone! Your good luck takes care of you!
That's not the point!
You never take me seriously! I get the feeling you favour Donald!
Donald has responsibilities. Three nephews to feed!
And they're hungry boys, believe me!
Besides, he has a steady relationship with a very nice girl. He's stable and settled!
My nut runs deep!
Not like a certain flighty luck-struck playboy I could name!
But it isn't fair!
Yes, but Donald still gets my vote even if he is an empty-headed lazy dolt
Gosh! Thanks Uncle Scrooge!

Well, it's off to the Riviera. I'll be back with a tan!
Bu-bu-but
Quit squawking, Gladstone!
If you ever find a nice girl and settle down, maybe I can count on you!
?!?
The mysterious raven on the windowsill flies off...
CAW! CAW!
Ratface has a long journey ahead
CAW!
To a far-off hut on the slopes of Mt. Vesuvius...
CAW!

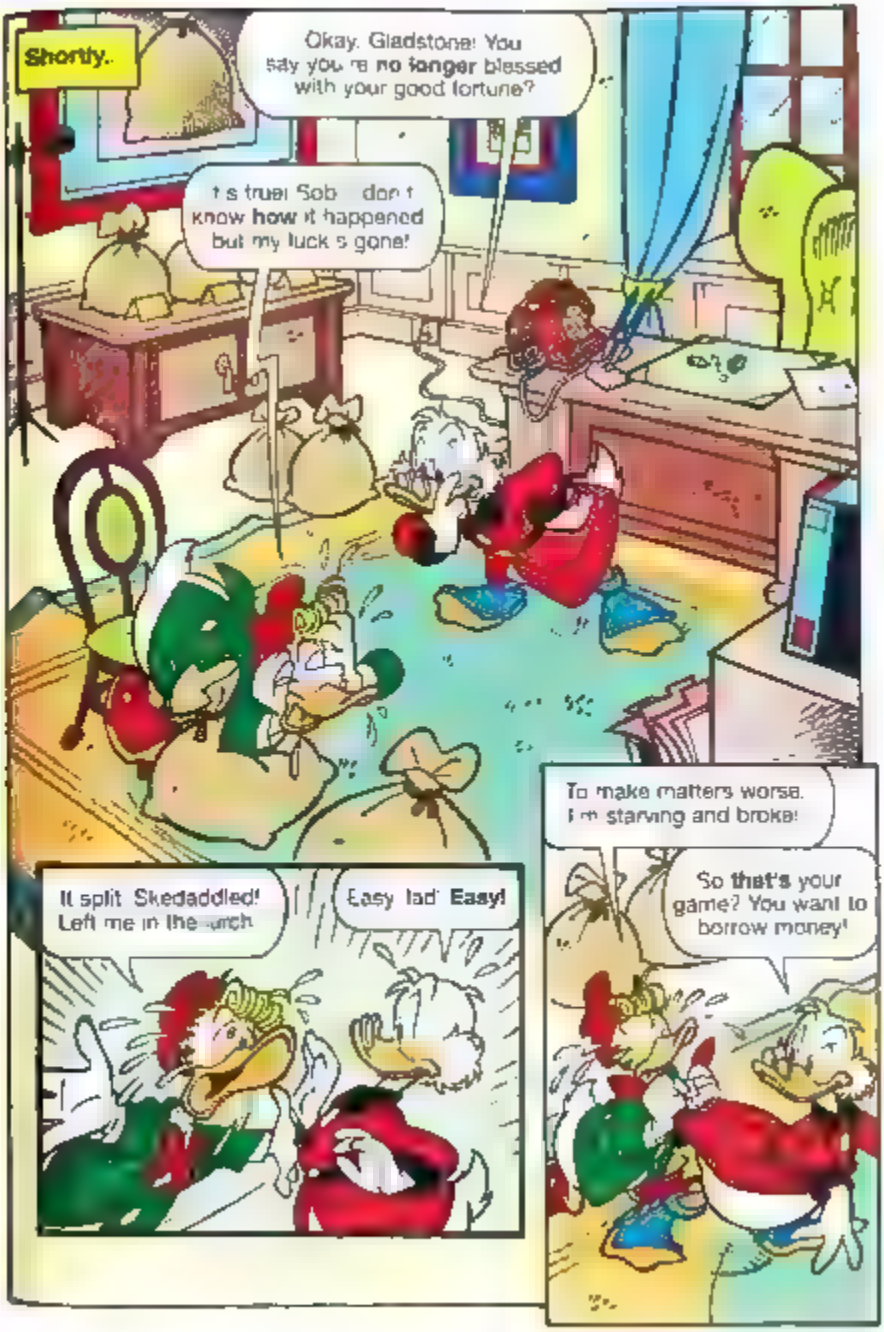
Magica de Spell's
CAW! CAW! CAW!
Incredible! So Scrooge might let down his guard if Gladstone conforms to his wishes
Perfect! I can use that lucky fool of a gander to get close to Scrooge's Number One Dime
the long sought ingredient in my Midas Touch amulet! McDuck, you'll be sorry!

Many days later, in Duckburg...
I can't get over it. So... m an irresponsible, footloose fuck happy bachelor! Is that any reason not to rely on me?
Well right now I'm hungry and without a penny in my pocket
What's this? A twenty-dollar bill lying all on its own on the sidewalk!
Chuckle! My good fortune can always be relied on! Come to daddy handy little greenback.
TONY'S ITALIAN EATERY
You're going to treat me to a first class lunch!

Some of your finest spaghetti and meatballs my good man!
Aha: There s Gladstone! Now o put my plan into operation!
Part one! put a hex on him! Mixti, Maxti, Mucky Muck...
make the cluck lose all his luck
Huh?!
No! My luck would never let that happen!
That's odd! A peculiar sensation just swept over me! Am catching a cold?
Your lunch sir

Yum! Time to dig in! Hey! A meatball slipped off the plate!
Tee-hee! It begins!
Bruno! Come back here
Yap! Yap! Yap!
Uh oh! That mutt has its eye on my wayward meatball!
Get away you greedy guts!
Grrr! Yap! Yap!
CRASH!!!
Hey! What's going on? Now my whole meal's in the gutter!
Yipe!

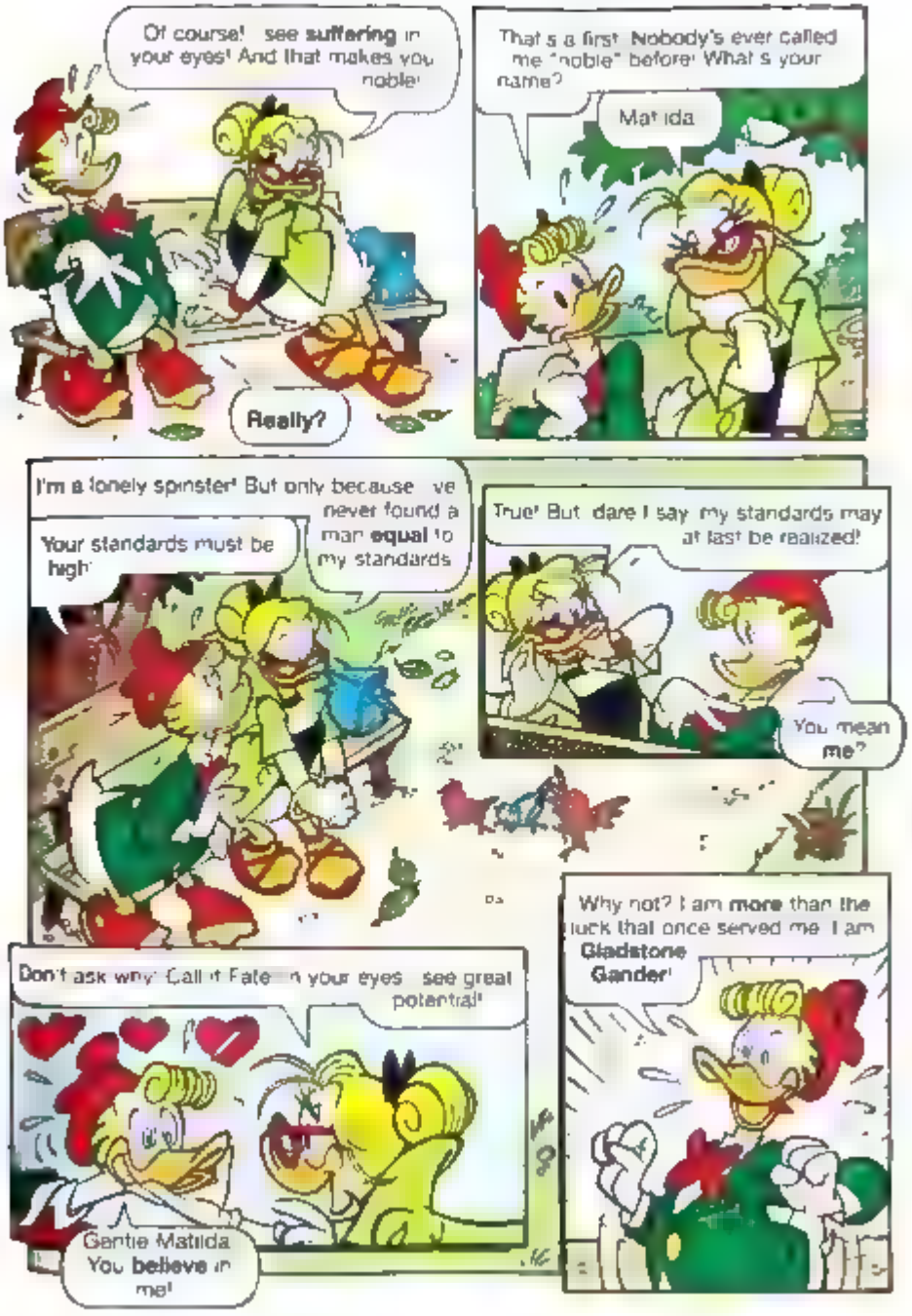
Hey, waiter! A new portion of spaghetti.. If you please!
Certainly. But what about the first meal?
No problem I have lots of cash!
Astounding! The bill blew off along with my good luck!
You can do the dishes to pay what you owe!
WHOOSH!
Whoops!
So far, so good! Scrooge's First Dime is as good as mine!
This is unthinkable! My luck's abandoned me! I'm flat broke! I have to see Uncle Scrooge!!

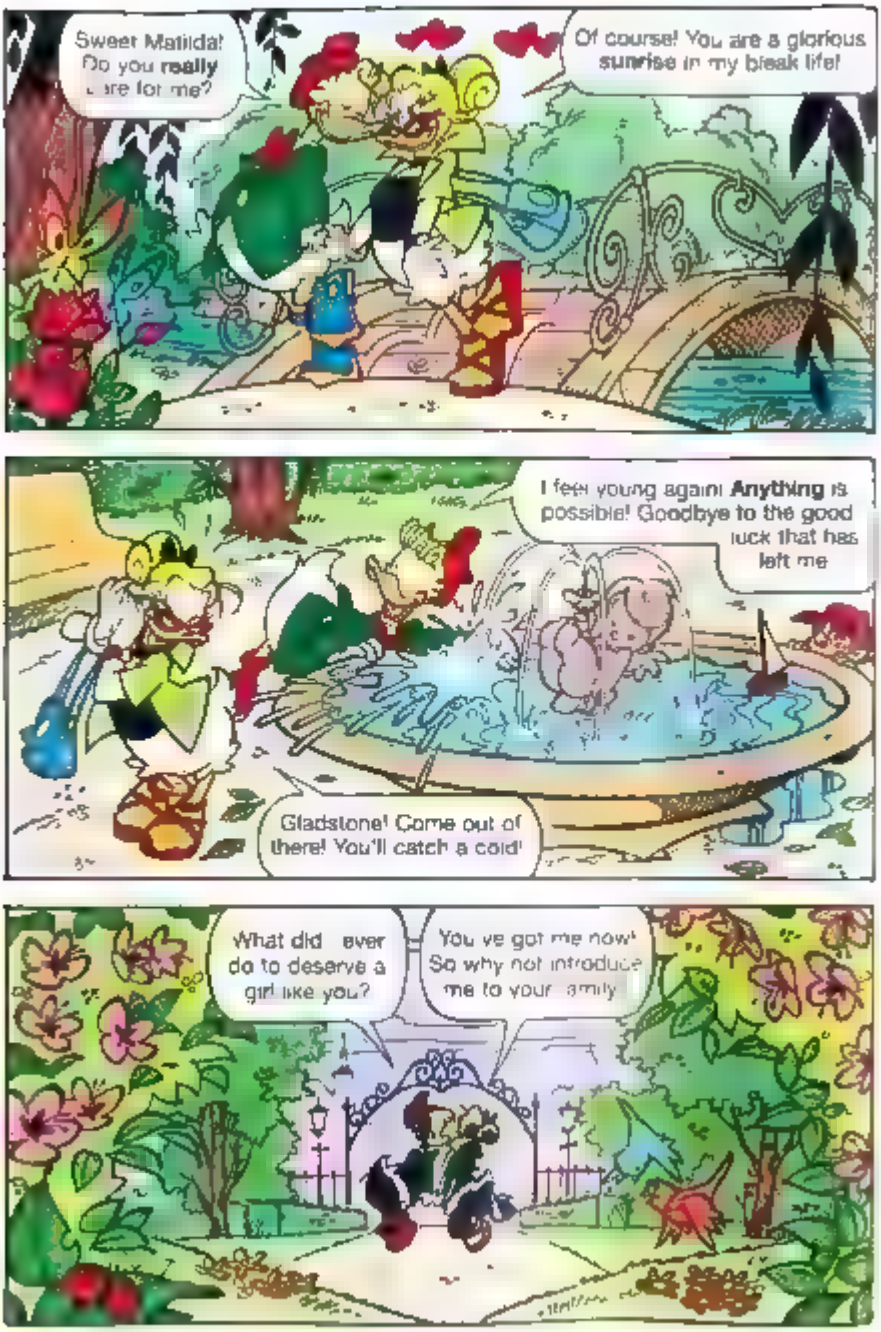

Shortly..
Okay, Gladstone! You say you're no longer blessed with your good fortune?
It's true! Sob... don't know how it happened but my luck's gone!
To make matters worse, I'm starving and broke!
So that's your game? You want to borrow money!
It split! Skedaddled! Left me in the lurch
Easy lad! Easy!

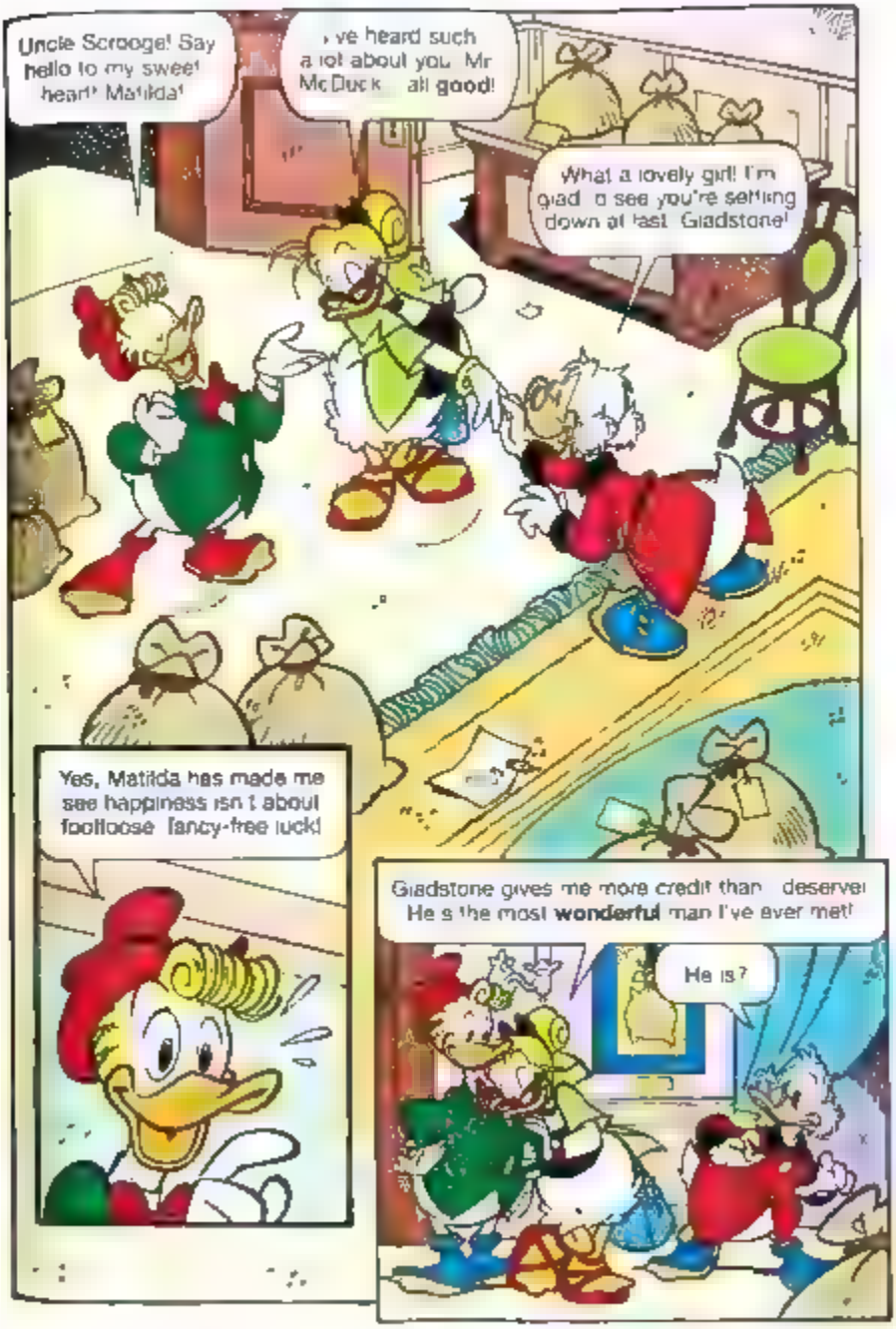
Well... always say "Neither a borrower nor lender be"! ...m not about to break that rule!
But I'll put you to work. Of course, you'll have to start at the bottom!
will?
You sure will, Gladstone...
NY
Sigh! Scrooge has employed me for a pittance to perform the most menial of tasks! Like having his spats cleaned!
...et's face it. Without my luck, I'm nothing!
How depressing! My normally over-inflated self-esteem is at its lowest point ever!

Hah! There's the luckless fool now! Doing chores like an errand boy!
His laundry won't be finished for a couple of hours!
He's humbled and vulnerable! Now it's time to put part two of my plan into action!
Might as well drag my sorry self to the park to wait until it's done!
Perfect!
A little spell! Mixti, Maxti, Metamorphixti Mix!...
Make me an *ordinary* girl!
POOF!

Great! I've outdone myself!
I look just like a simple, honest true-blue maid!
What man at his emotional wits' end could resist me?
Not that man! I'll bet my bottom dollar on it!
Better yet... I'll bet Scrooge's Number One Dime
Excuse me! Mind if I sit next to you?
No one would want to sit beside an insignificant gnat like me! I'll move along!
Don't be silly! Stay! You have the worried face of a deep soul!
I do?

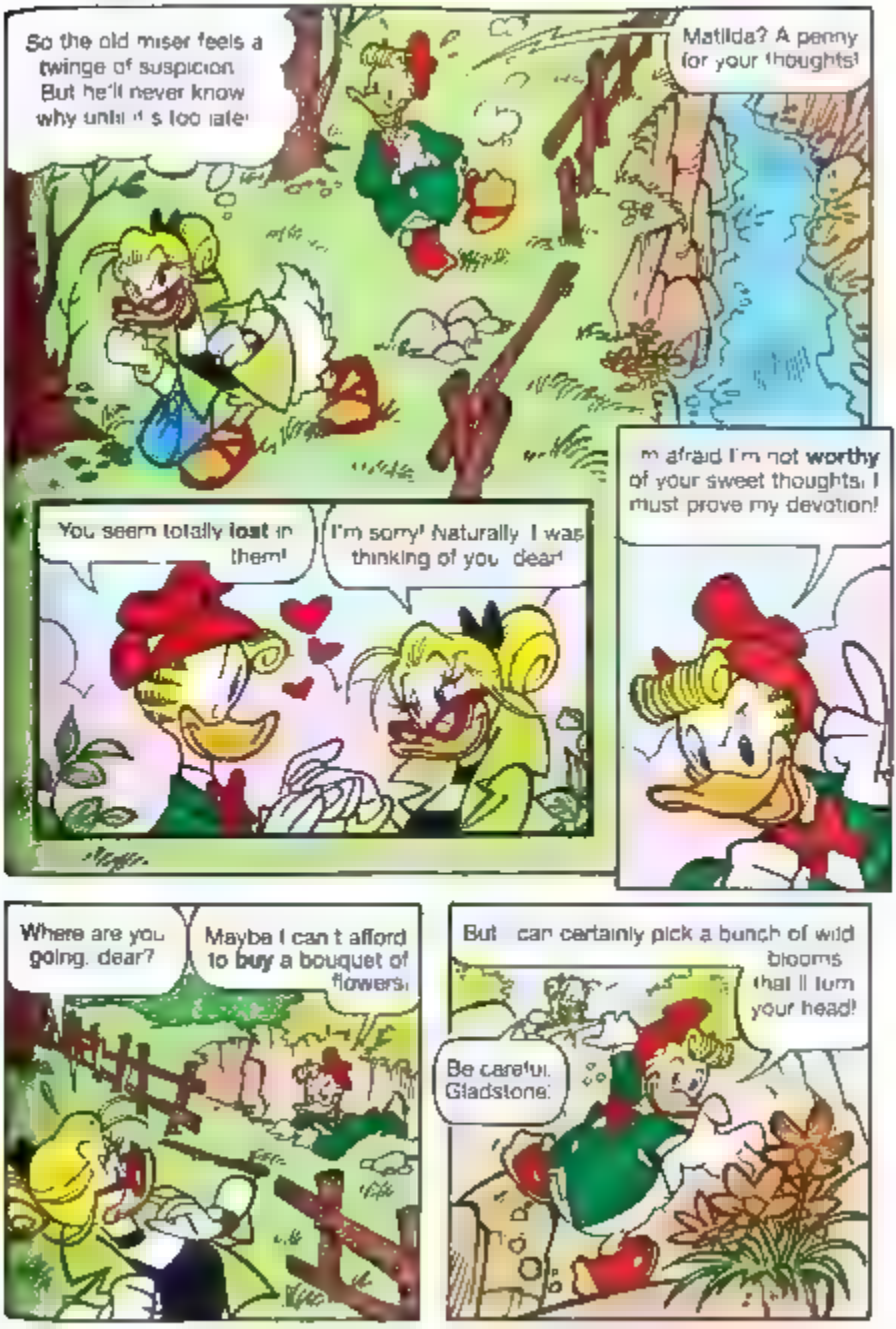

Of course! I see **suffering** in your eyes! And that makes you noble!
Really?
That's a first! Nobody's ever called me "noble" before! What's your name?
Matilda
I'm a lonely spinster! But only because I've never found a man **equal** to my standards
Your standards must be high!
True! But dare I say my standards may at last be realized!
You mean **me**?
Why not? I am **more** than the luck that once served me! I am **Gladstone Gander**!
Don't ask why! Call it Fate! I see in your eyes I see great potential!
Gentle Matilda. You **believe** in me!


Sweet Matilda! Do you **really** care for me?
Of course! You are a glorious **sunrise** in my bleak life!
I feel young again! **Anything** is possible! Goodbye to the good luck that has left me
Gladstone! Come out of there! You'll catch a cold!
What did I ever do to deserve a girl like you?
You've got me now! So why not introduce me to your family


Uncle Scrooge! Say hello to my sweet heart Matilda!
I've heard such a lot about you, Mr McDuck... all good!
What a lovely girl! I'm glad to see you're settling down at last, Gladstone!
Yes, Matilda has made me see happiness isn't about footloose, fancy-free luck!
Gladstone gives me more credit than I deserve! He's the most wonderful man I've ever met!
He is?

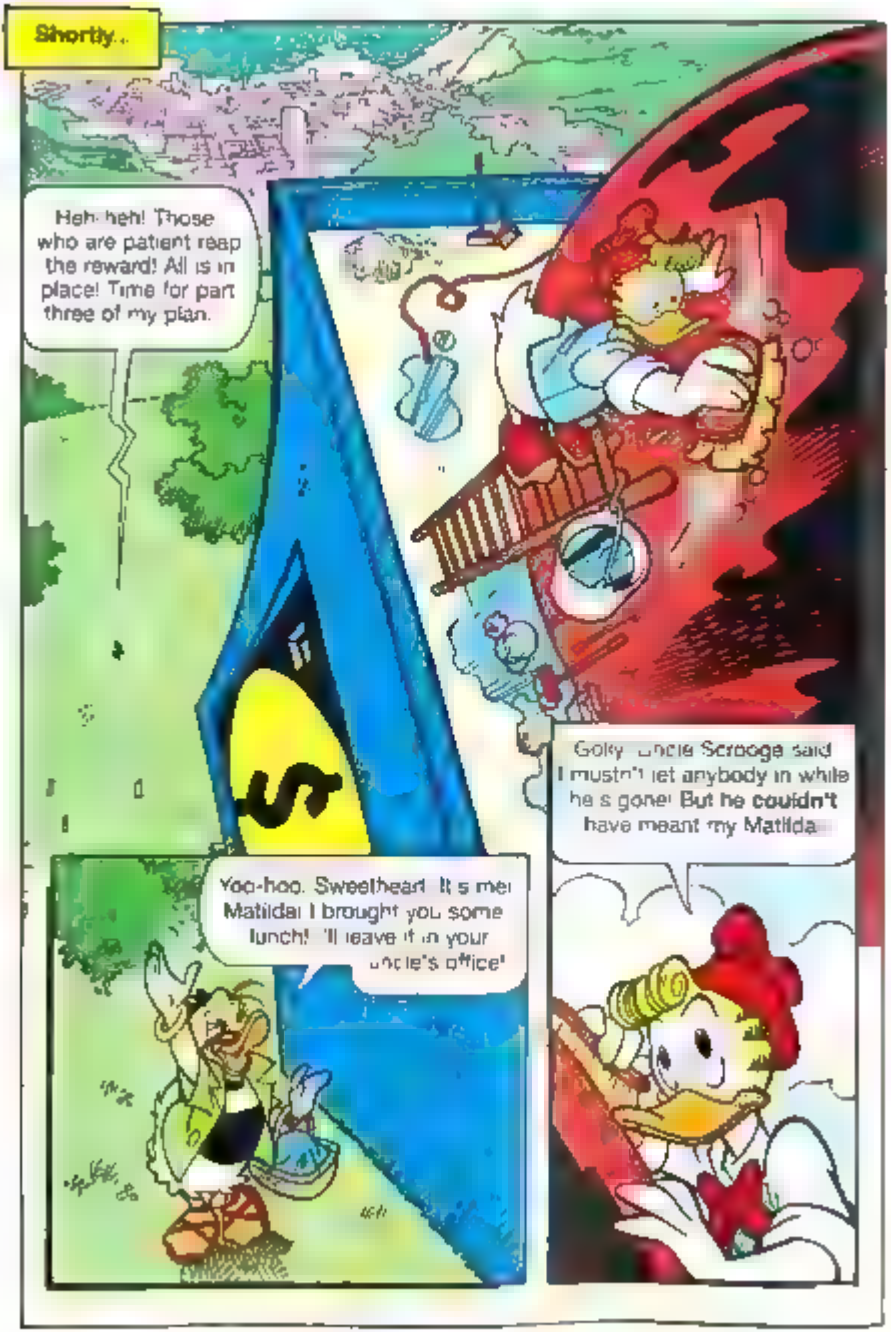
Show me around, Mr. McDuck. I've never seen a tycoon's office before! Say, what's that?
Why, that's the first dime I ever earned! I call it Old Number
I just felt a nasty chill! Let me close the window
Brrr!
You know, just remembered I've got a lot of work to do!

We get the hint! See you later!
Or sooner! Hee-hee!
Brrr! I have a terrible sense of dread! But why? I can't quite put my finger on it


So the old miser feels a twinge of suspicion. But he'll never know why until it's too late!
Matilda? A penny for your thoughts!
You seem totally lost in them!
I'm sorry! Naturally I was thinking of you, dear!
I'm afraid I'm not worthy of your sweet thoughts! I must prove my devotion!
Where are you going, dear?
Maybe I can't afford to buy a bouquet of flowers!
But I can certainly pick a bunch of wild blooms that'll turn your head!
Be careful, Gladstone!

Oh my! Look at that gullible idiot Risking his poor neck for me
Yoo-hoo! Matilda! Aren't these beautiful?
Whoops!
You heartsick fool! You'll break your neck!
Here, my sweet inspiration! These are for you, my dear!
Nobody has ever given me flowers
Oh Gladstone! My heart is yours, completely!
Matilda, my dove! Do you mean it?
Oh goodness gracious me do really do

Days later...
Gladstone, you're now a model of stability! I'm impressed with the changes that you've made!
Thank you, Uncle Scrooge!
So impressed, in fact, that I'm going to promote you!
Really?
No longer will you be a spats cleaner! From today forward you will be my money bin scrubber!
I'm honoured Uncle!
You can start by scrubbing the roof of the bin while I'm out on an errand!
And Gladstone! Keep the bin locked up tight as a drum while I'm gone! Don't let anybody in!


Shortly...
Heh-heh! Those who are patient reap the reward! All is in place! Time for part three of my plan.
Golly! Uncle Scrooge said I mustn't let anybody in while he's gone! But he couldn't have meant my Matilda.
Yoo-hoo, Sweetheart! It's me! Matilda! I brought you some lunch! I'll leave it in your uncle's office!

I'll trust you with my pie! Here, my dear! I'm tossing down the key
Got it! Wait till you see what I packed for dessert! I promise you'll be surprised!
At last. There's Old Number One. Mine for the taking
Look at it. It's exquisite! This is my crowning moment. I've finally outsmarted that old skinflint!
All I have to do is grab it

And up on the roof...
Why, Uncle Scrooge is back already! I'll give him a big wave!
Yoo-hoo! Uncle Scrooge! I'm almost fin.
Awp!
WHOOOOOOSH
Yeeeeeeagh!
Oh no! Gladstone's been blown off the roof of the money bin! He'll never survive the fall!
Gasp!

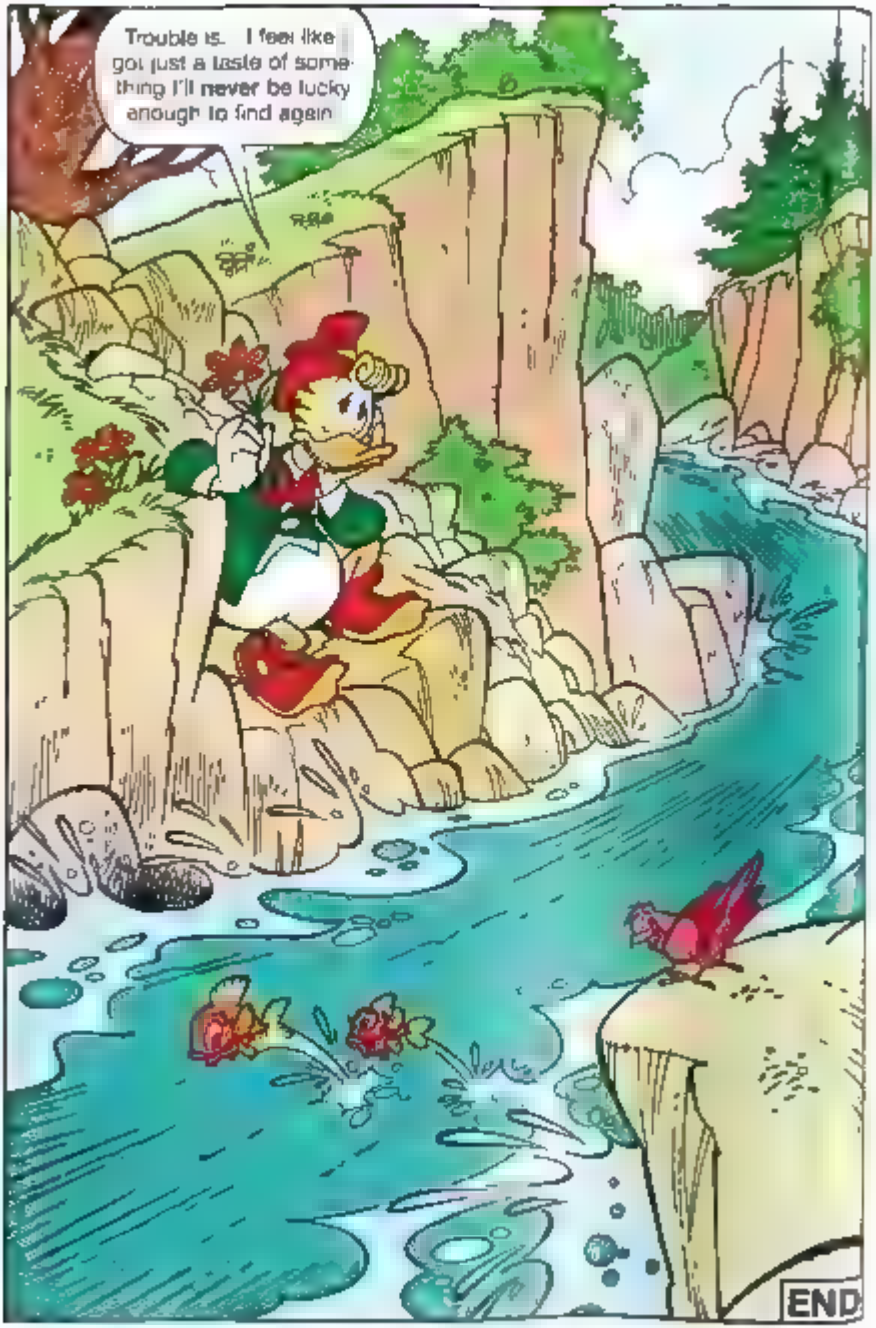
Poor Gladstone! He's falling like a stone!
Sob! He's a goner for sure!
Goodbye, dear Matilda! I'll never forget you!
Curses! This really is a most terrible dilemma! What do I do?
Snatch the dime or help Gladstone?

Guess I don't really have a choice!
Mixti, Maxti, Muxti, Mells...
...now reverse all my spells!
Strange! I'm tingling
Strange... under these circumstances, but now I feel — lucky!
Sure enough! The wind is filling that awning below me!
WHIIISH!
Providing a soft, comfy place for me to land
Goodness me! Gladstone's good fortune is back!
THUD

Oh Gladstone! You're all right
Magica de Spell!
Matilda?
Grrr! When I threw that reversal spell, it also removed my disguise! Scrooge will be up here in a flash!
No time to grab the dime! My plan is foiled! I have to make myself scarce!
Hasty moments later...
She's gone, but thank goodness my dime's untouched!
Uncle Scrooge, I don't understand.
Don't you see? That scheming witch relieved you of your luck just to get close to my dime!
Yes, but she returned it when needed it the most, didn't she?

Later, on Mt. Vesuvius.
Argh! What was I thinking? What is wrong with me?
I chose to save that fop of a gander rather than snatch the object I've coveted all these years! I'm an imbecile!
Still, he was awfully devoted and kind of cute, wasn't he?
?!

And so...
Cousin! Heard you had quite a little adventure while I was basking on the Riviera!
Yeah, that deceitful sorceress deprived me of my luck!
And reduced me to a gullible, half witted, average clod! Like you!
Hah! I hear she played you for a first-class sap!
Yes, I thought she was sincere! But she preyed on my affections. I saw through her soon enough!
Well, I'm off on another chore for Uncle Scrooge! Glad you got your luck back.
Sure! There's nothing like being a fancy-free friend of fortune without a care in the world!


Trouble is. I feel like I got just a taste of something I'll never be lucky enough to find again
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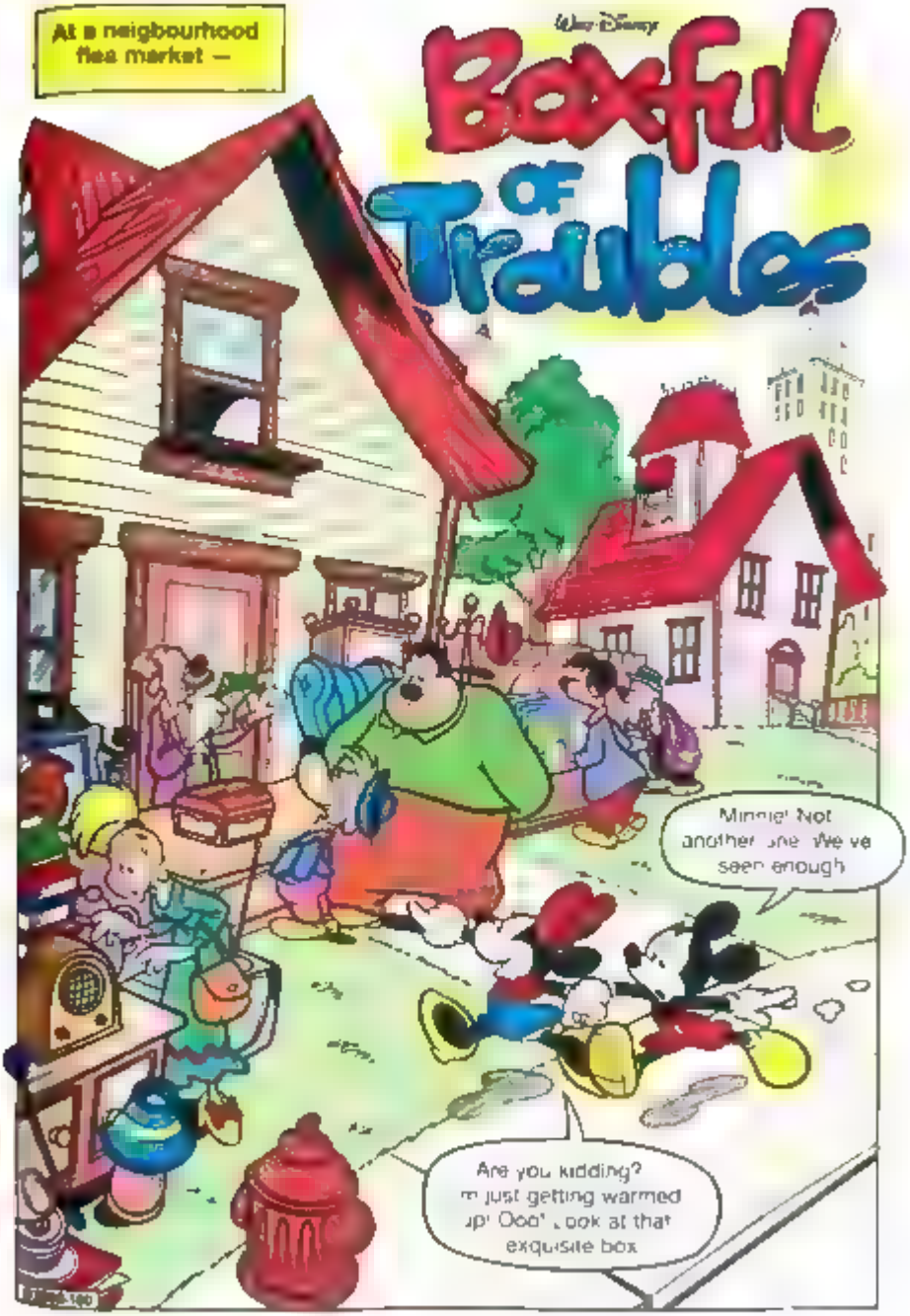
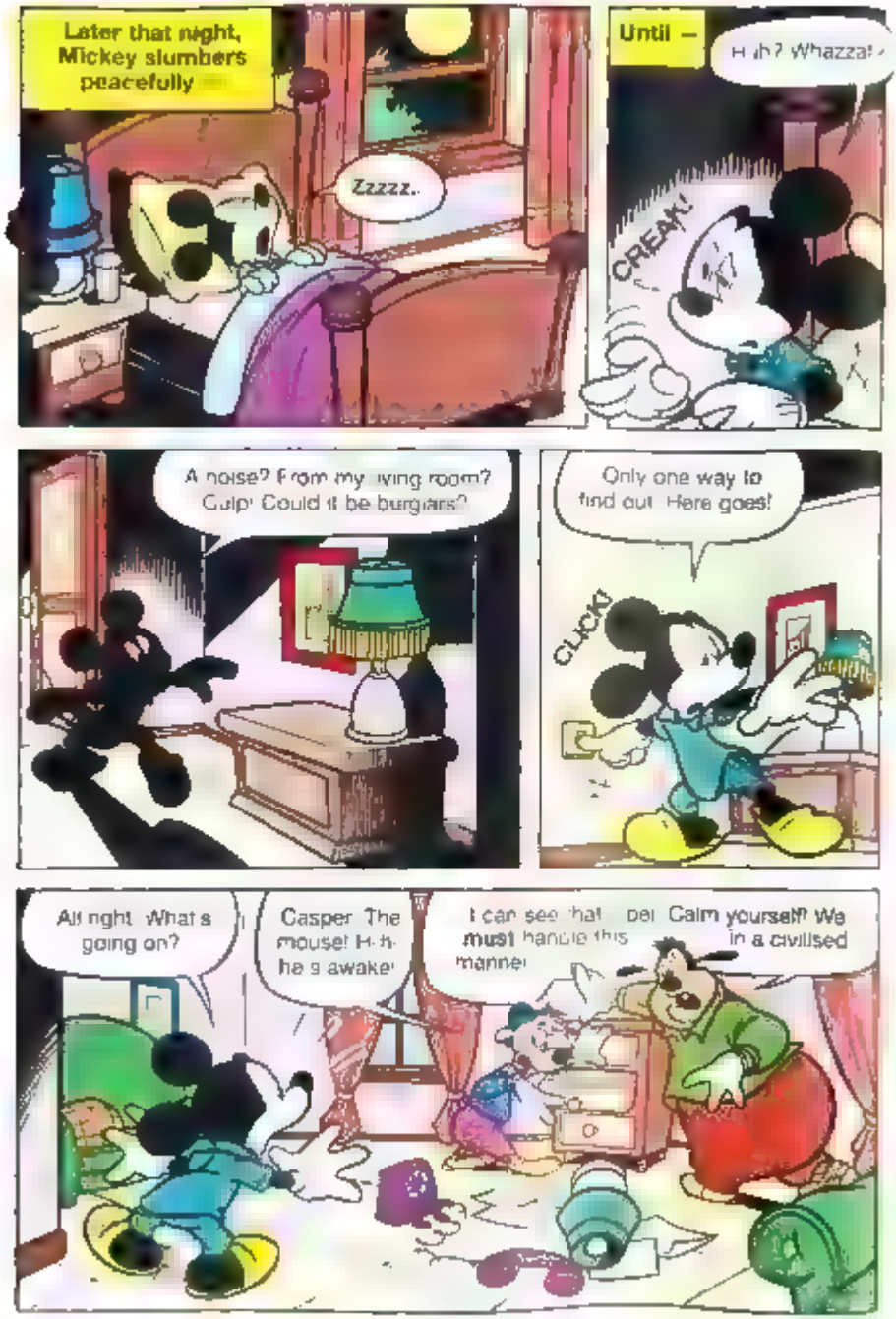

At a neighbourhood flea market —
Walt Disney
Boxful of Troubles
Minnie! Not another one! We've seen enough
Are you kidding? I'm just getting warmed up! Oooh, look at that exquisite box

It's beautiful ve got to have it
Hey! I was about—
That s ten bucks lady
This ugly old thing isn t worth half that! I ll give you four dollars!
said ten bucks and that s final!
All right I'll give you three!
Are you deaf lady? Ten bucks!
Two dollars! Not a penny more!
Oh boy! I'll pay the ten!
Here s your money, pal Now let's go, Minnie!
Haggling is part of the flea market experience Mickey!
Oh, brother
This s bad! Those two nabbed the box from under our noses, Joe! There t goes in that bag!

Soon —
Thanks for walking me home, Mickey!
No problem! But remember! Next weekend we go to the football game!
This is the perfect spot for my new box.
Glad you're happy, Minnie! Goodbye!
Wait! Here's some of your favorite bread! A small token of my appreciation!
Yum! Thanks, Minnie!
Look, Casper! There he goes! And he's still got the bag!
Great, Joe! We'll follow him home! And then


Later that night, Mickey slumbers peacefully
Zzzzz..
Until –
CREAK!
A noise? From my living room? Gulp! Could it be burglars?
Only one way to find out. Here goes!
CLICK!
All right. What's going on?
Casper. The mouse! He's awake!
I can see that. Pete must handle this in a civilised manner.
Calm yourself! We

Grab him! In a civilised manner, of course!
An excellent idea, Casper!
Yikes!
m afraid we ve no choice but to tie you up, Mr. Mouse! Forgive the inconvenience!
Okay, but tell me what's going on!
We wonder where you put the contents of your shopping bag!
In the kitchen cupboard!
He s making fun of us Casper! Here's only a single loaf of bread!
Sorry, but I ate the other one!
Hehl You have a great sense of humour friend. But you won't deter us!
We'll take your home apart to find what we seek!
Do your worst you vandals

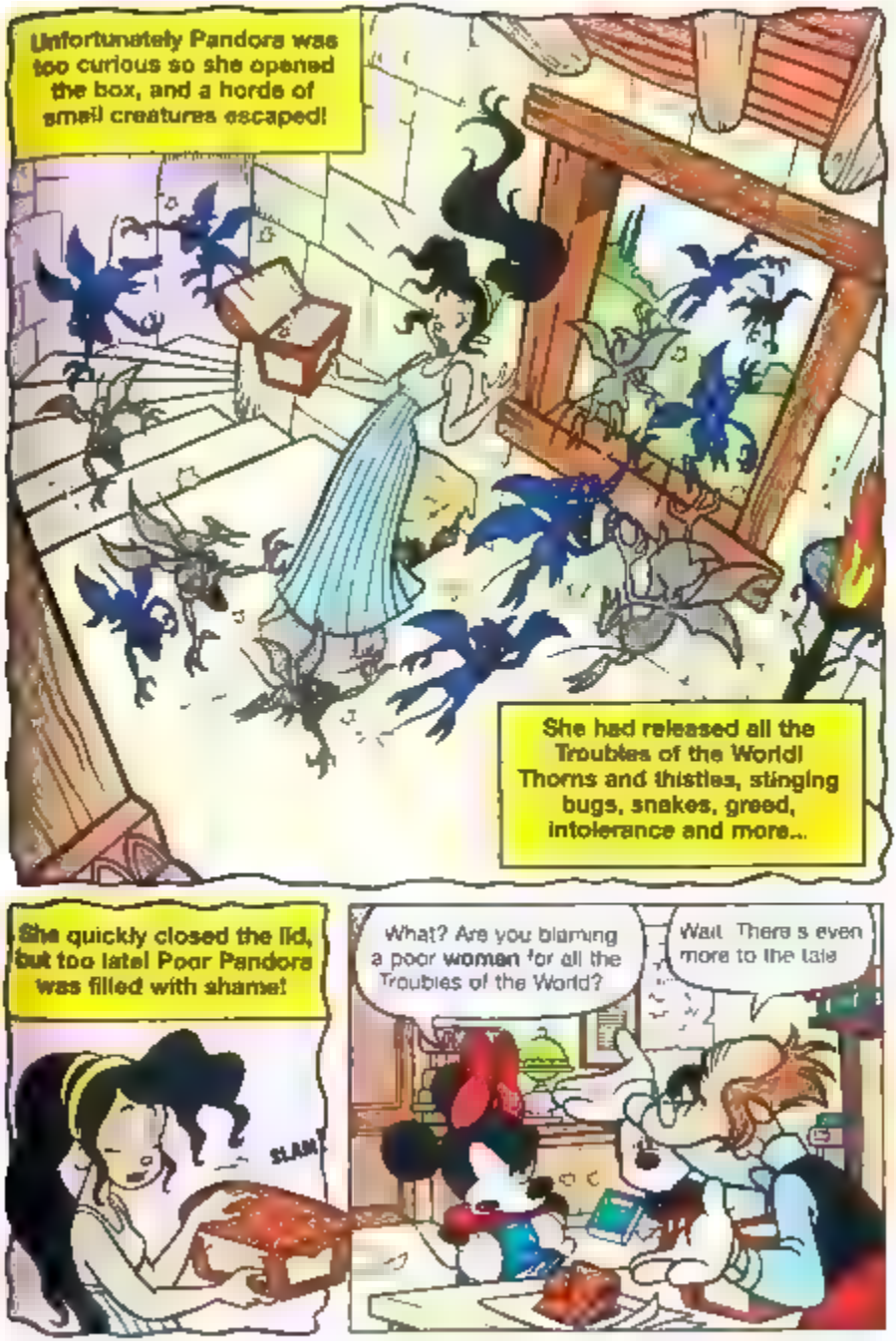
Shortly –
You boys are quite the demolition crew! Are you happy now?
No, Mr Mouse can assure you we're not!
don't understand Casper We saw this rodent and his girl put it in that bag
Of course! The girl: The box must be at her house! Come along!
The boss won't be happy if we manage to lose it again!
Bye and ask you to send us a bill but we have no forwarding address!
Those hooligans are after that crummy box Minnie bought at the flea market!
Don't know why they want it but I've gotta warn Minnie they're on the way!

Minnie! Two goons are after your precious box! Grab it and scram out the back door!
Goodness! They're coming up the path now!
We've no time for subtlety! Break down the door!
Sure! Ummmph!
Ow! I sprained my poor shoulder!
Mais! I do everything! Stand aside!
The jig's up, Miss Mouse! You can run, but you can't hide!
CRASH!
Oh no! She's gone! And she's taken the box with her!
Shut up and let me think for a moment!

Oh dear! What am I doing in the park in the middle of the night? It's crazy!
Gotcha!
EEEK!
Mickey, it's you! Why did we have to meet here?
Because it's dark and we can blend into the shadows until daybreak!
As the thugs want this so badly there must be a good reason to keep it from them!
But why this old box
Maybe it's a really old and valuable antique? I wonder what these odd markings mean?
Oh well! Let's sit here and try to keep warm! Tomorrow we'll have an expert look at it

Meanwhile
So? Have
Um unfortunately er great master! Gulp No
It has
It was within our grasp! I told him to snatch it. But he moves as slowly as a snail
Let me do the talking, Joe!
To put it simply, a couple of mice beat us to it
Yes. And then the filthy rodents eluded us!
Curses! Find those mice. The box must be retrieved at any cost
I haven't pursued it all these years just to let it slip away now!
No, Master! Of course not.

Next day —
Professor can you give us your expert opinion on this troublesome box?
Troublesome box is right Mickey!
MOUSE UNIVERSITY
This inscription is in Ancient Greek And what it tells me is absolutely astonishing
You've found the most famous container in all of history Pandora's Box
That name rings a bell Prof!
Long ago Zeus, King of the Gods, gave this box as a present to Pandora! But he warned her never to open it!


Unfortunately Pandora was too curious so she opened the box, and a horde of small creatures escaped!
She had released all the Troubles of the World! Thorns and thistles, stinging bugs, snakes, greed, intolerance and more...
She quickly closed the lid, but too late! Poor Pandora was filled with shame!
SLAM!
What? Are you blaming a poor **woman** for all the Troubles of the World?
Wait. There's even more to the tale

Pandora heard a tiny voice coming from inside the box. It was pleading to get out!
The voice was so gentle that Pandora swallowed her fear and opened the box a second time
And Hope, in the form of a butterfly, flew from the box and into the world!
So, though a woman let all the troubles into the world, she—
Men blame women for everything
Simmer down, Minnie! No one's blaming you! But it was you who bought the pesky box!
See what I mean?

My friends, this is such an **amazing** coincidence! It makes my spine tingle!
What coincidence?
Well, I've just finished translating an ancient scroll that was recently excavated in Greece!
The scroll tells of how the box passed out of Pandora's possession and was lost in the mists of time! Listen
"If the box is found and taken to the sacred shrine of the Oracle of Hyphi, **all** troubles will return into it
?
Great! We've **got** to go to that **shrine** in Greece, Mickey!
A woman was blamed for unleashing all the ills of the world, and now **another** woman can take all those ills away!

So —
Minnie, of course I'll help you take the box to the Oracle of Hyphi. But we've got to be careful: remember those two goons are working for someone who wants it badly!
You're right. Their boss must know what it is and how it can be used!
Yes! I think he wants to **destroy** the box!
Oh no!
If that happens, all the troubles will stay where they are!
Exactly. This guy's a nasty character whoever he is.
Bet he'll stop at nothing to get his hands on the box! Our lives may be in danger, Minnie!
I don't care! To the airport, driver!

Shortly —
I don't understand. Why are we here?
Because the mice will want to bring the box to the Oracle of Hyphi on the isle of Stanos!
INTERNATIONAL
FLIGHTS
I think we'll see them here on their way on their way to Greece!
You're right! There they are!

Get the box! Don't fail me this time!
Two tickets to the Greek island of Stenos! Pronto!
Passports are in order. Here are your boarding cards. Gate 63. Better hurry! The plane leaves in ten minutes.
Thanks, pal
Quick, our gate's a long way off! Let's take the moving sidewalk
Hey, Mister Mouse!
Allow us to take your cumbersome box!
Oboy! The goons! And that other fellow must be their boss
Yikes! What can we do?
We have to outrun them, Minnie! Hurry!
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Don't try to flee, rodents! That would be so tiresome!

Stop them Joe! We can't let them get away!
No, not this time Casper!
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Now what?
Run, Minnie Give it everything you've got!
Hah Thanks to this moving sidewalk we're zipping along like Olympic runners!
Oh, no! They're leaving us behind
They're escaping!
Don panic We must use this moving thing just like them!
You're right we are catching up.
Yes, I too feel as if I was transported on the wings of Hermes! Puff Pant

Gulp! This thing's coming to an end! And the thugs are right behind us! We're done for!
Not if I can help it!
Let's just see what happens when I flip the switch on this to backwards
Awp! What is this? An earthquake?
Alas, no! The mouse **reversed** the direction of this thing!
Curse you, verminous rat! Do you think you've eluded us?
That's the idea, pal!
They won't stop me from restoring the good name of women
Here's our gate!
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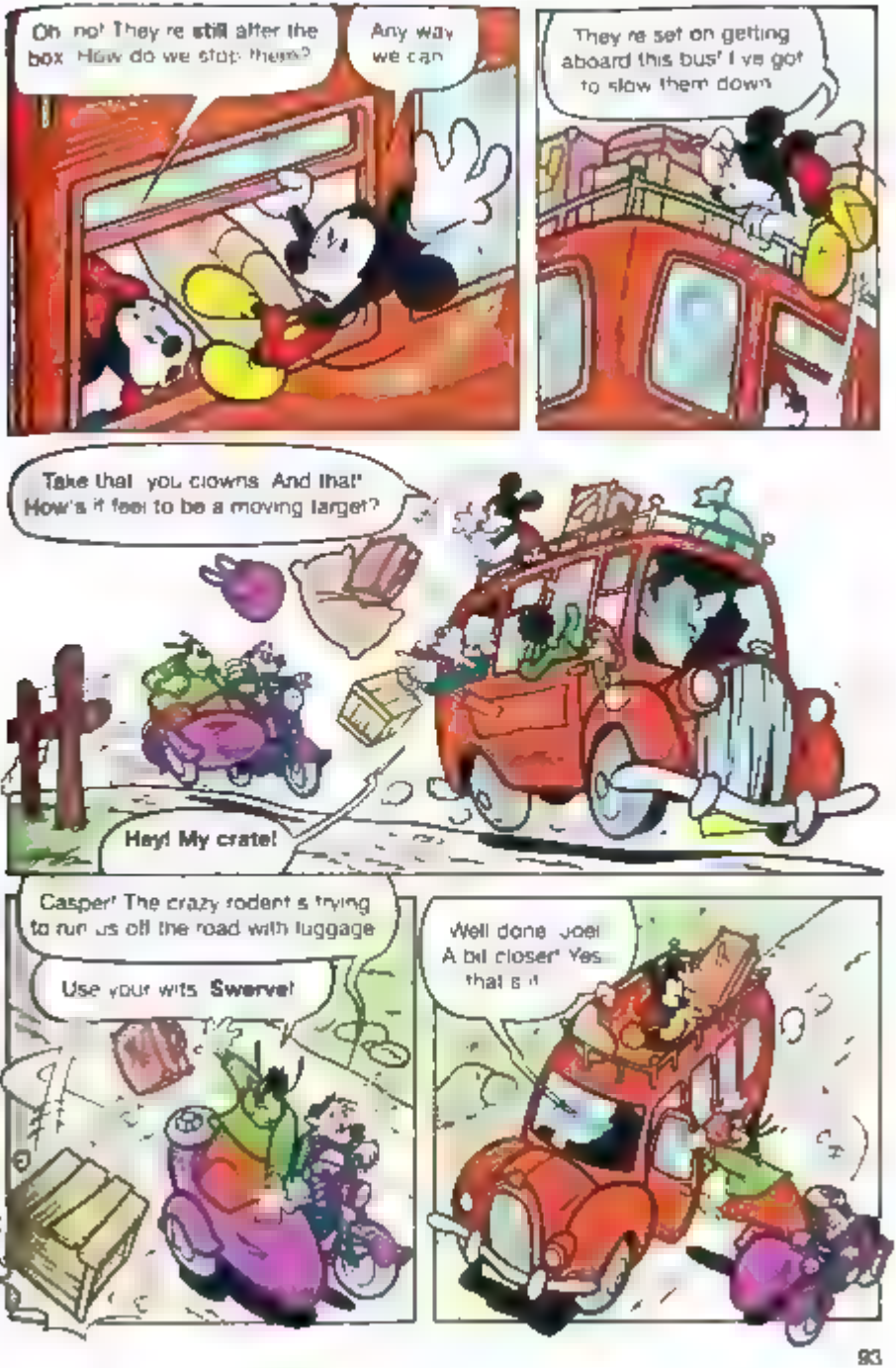
CLICK!

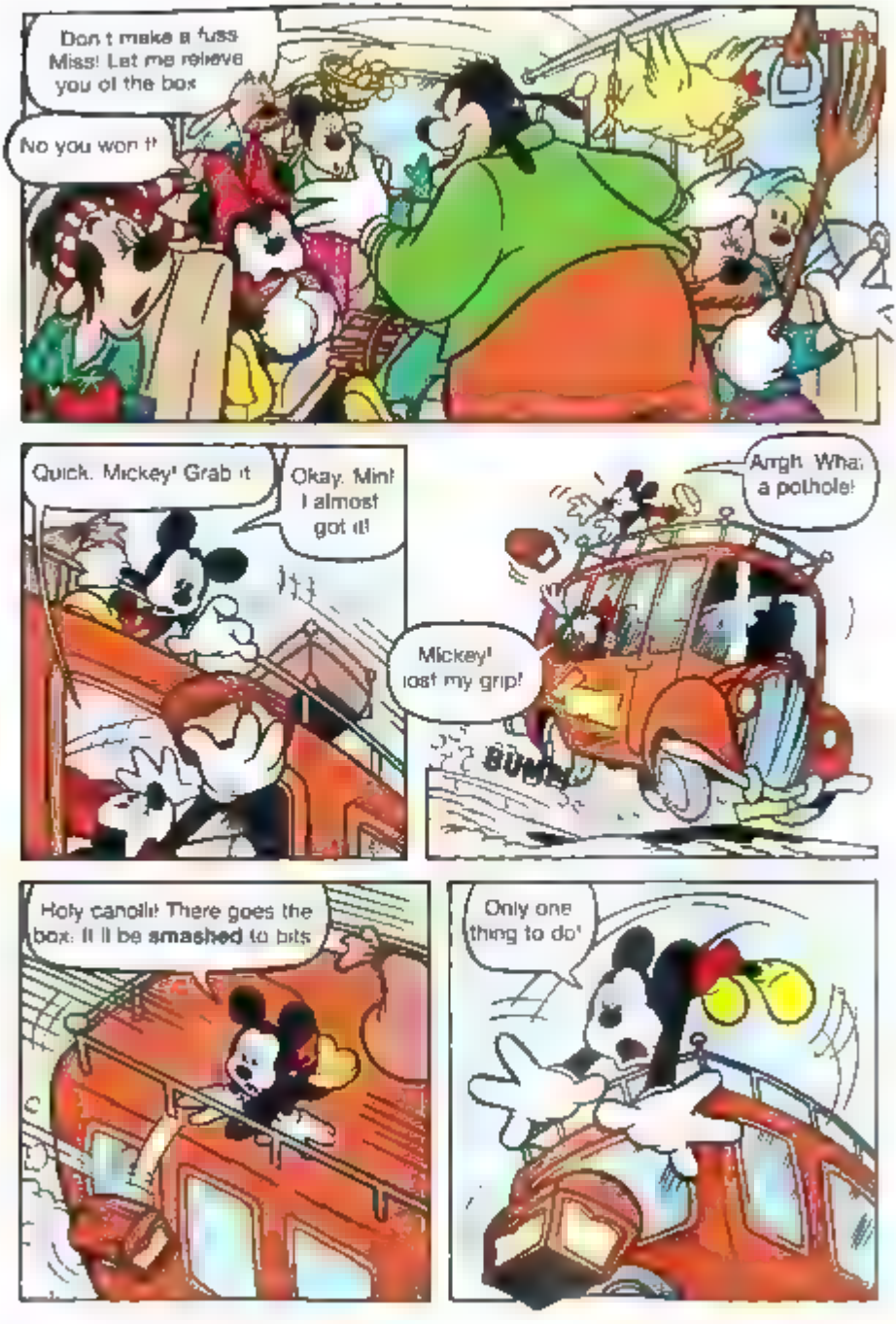
Run your things through the security scanner!
A wooden box shouldn't cause any trouble!
What did I tell you
Mickey! Grab the box! Let's get on the plane! Those men are coming!
Puff! Let us through, Mister! We're late for our flight!
Sorry, sir! If you don't have tickets, I can't admit you!
Bah! You big fool!
Let's go, Mickey!
Looks like you boys won't be joining us! All I can say is, bbbrrraaap!

I'm sorry! We've failed miserably yet again!
The mice were just too fast for us. They're flying to Greece right now.
The box must be destroyed
This is you last chance! I'll magically transport us to the Isle of Sterios where we'll await them!
Y-y-you can do that?
Sure! There is much about me that you don't know!
POOF!

Later, in Greece —
I just wonder who that cloaked figure is, Minnie! The Phantom Blot? Or worse?
Soon —
And why does he want to destroy the box?
It doesn't matter now, Mickey! Soon this bus will drop us near the Oracle of Hyphi

Thank goodness. This is ride is like a farmyard on wheels!
Guess they don't get many tourists here!
Aha. The box is on that bus I sense it! Get it. No excuses
Sure thing!
Pull alongside the bus, Joe!! I'll board it on the move!
Awp! It's those two goons! How did they get here?


Oh no! They're still after the box. How do we stop them?
Any way we can
They're set on getting aboard this bus! I've got to slow them down
Take that, you clowns. And that! How's it feel to be a moving target?
Hey! My crate!
Casper! The crazy rodent's trying to run us off the road with luggage
Use your wits, Swerve!
Well done, Joe! A bit closer! Yes, that's it!


Don't make a fuss Miss! Let me relieve you of the box
No you won't!
Quick, Mickey! Grab it
Okay, Min! I almost got it!
Mickey! lost my grip!
Arrgh. What a pothole!
BUMP!
Holy cannoli! There goes the box. It'll be **smashed** to bits
Only one thing to do!

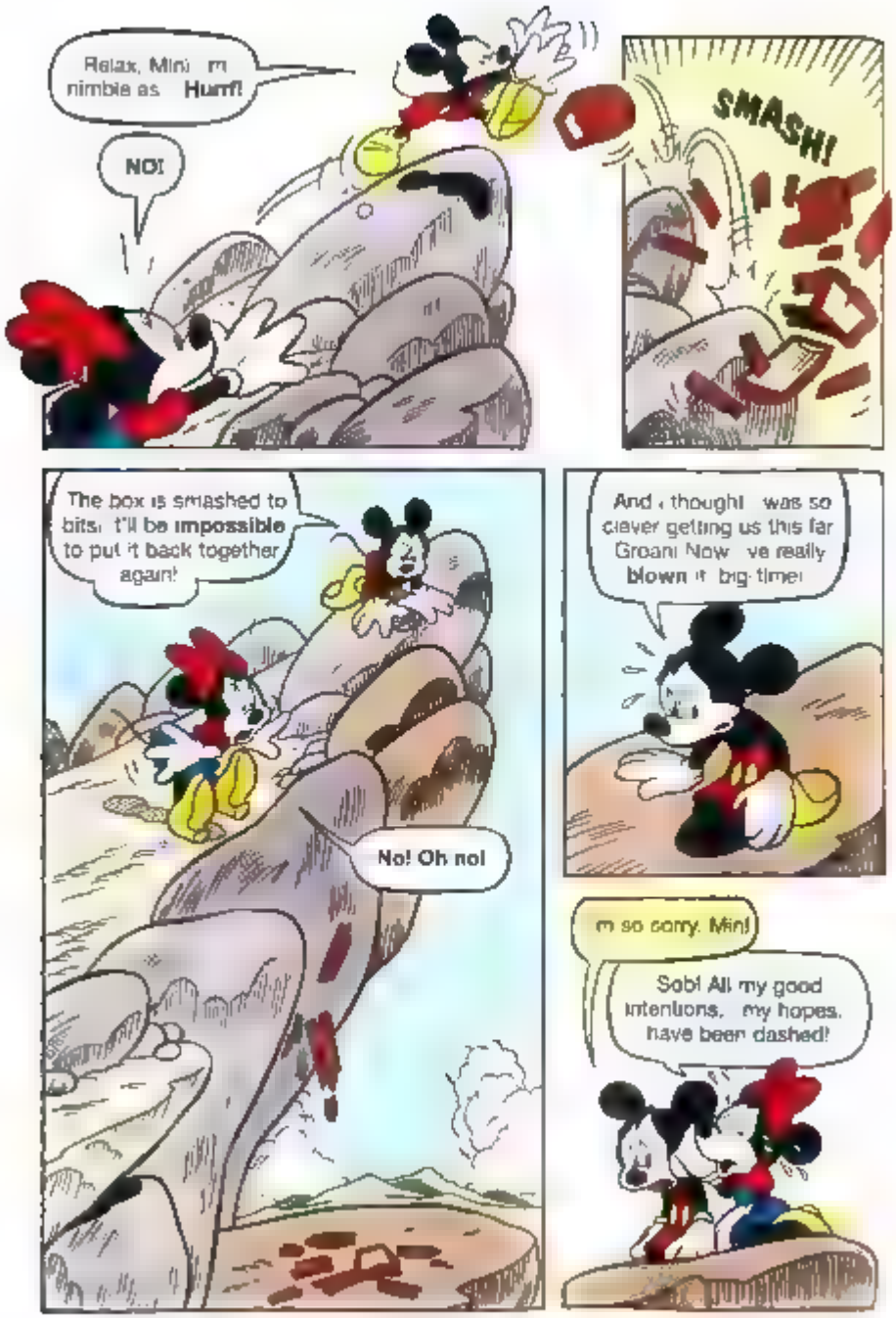
Got it. But where will I land?
Whuff!
Yikes!
Your boyfriend's got the box, but I'll have you to negotiate with!
Fat chance
You'll have to catch me first, you big clod
Tut-tut, Miss
You shall soon discover I am much more nimble than I look
Well, your fat fingers won't be so nimble once I'm done with them
Owch!

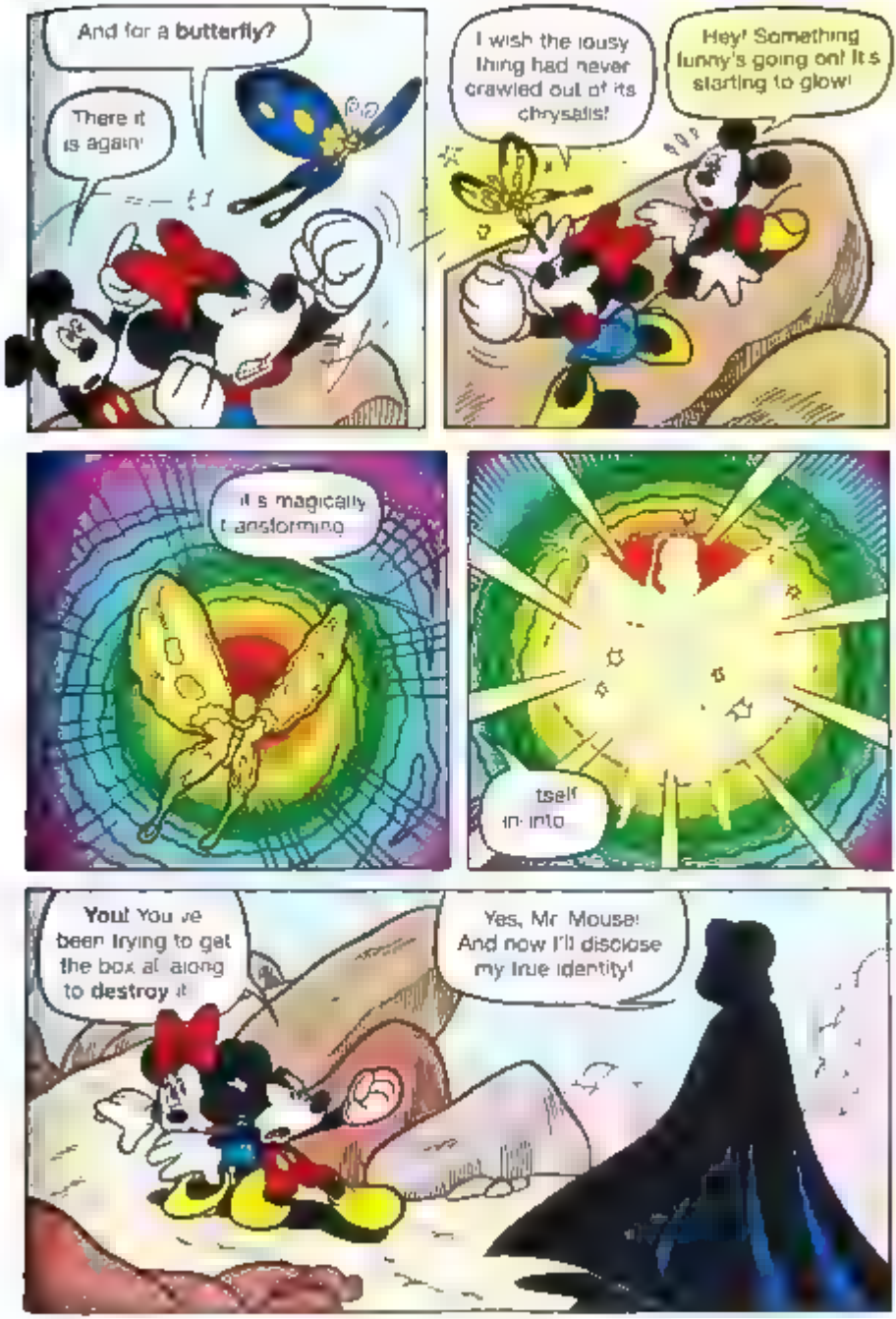
Don't try anything funny! Just hand me the box
Forget it, pal!
I'm back. Not that easy to get rid of!
Uh-oh
Time for you to be flying, buster!
Aiieee!
SCREECH
Umph!
Now I shall see to it that you regret your behaviour you... you rodent!
Oh, my
Minnie's in big trouble! I've got to cut in front of the bus and make it swerve
SCREEEECH

Yikes!
Eeek!
Relax, Min! I got you!
FLOP!
Ooo! My head is spinning. What happened to Casper?
Ouch!
WHUUMP!
Mickey, we've done it! We saved the box!
Let's hope that takes care of those dolts once and for all! On to the temple!

Sigh! I have reached a conclusion, my friend!
Yes! Groan! You must go on a diet!
That's another matter! But now it's obvious that we must seek our fortune elsewhere!
What? And quit this job?
Further up the road —
Look, the temple's on top of the hill! Now we can finally unload this boxful of roubles!
can hardly wait.
Yes. Our employer does not pay us sufficiently to suffer such indignities!
Those are the sweetest words I've ever heard!

Nearly there! The shrine of the Oracle of Hyphi All the troubles will be back in Pandora s box in a few minutes.
Slow down! There s no rush!
Look That s the most beautiful butterfly ve ever seen! Minnie Must have a
better look. They don t have butterflies like this back at home!
Mickey! Be careful so that you don't fall!


Relax, Mini! I'm nimble as... Hurrf!
NO!
SMASH!
The box is smashed to bits! It'll be impossible to put it back together again!
No! Oh no!
And I thought I was so clever getting us this far. Groan! Now we've really blown it big-time!
I'm so sorry, Mini!
Sob! All my good intentions, my hopes, have been dashed!


And for a butterfly?
There it is again!
I wish the lousy thing had never crawled out of its chrysalis!
Hey! Something funny's going on! It's starting to glow!
it's magically transforming
itself in into
You! You've been trying to get the box all along to destroy it
Yes, Mr. Mouse! And now I'll disclose my true identity!

It looks, Pandora
but really ...m
Who?
..Hope!

Hope? The Hope who
who was set free in the world when Pandora opened the box a second time!
And I've spent thousands of years trying to find the box
What a long time!
I've had to employ many different assistants over the years to help me in my quest!
So the two thugs were the latest?
Yes, as we were finally closing in on the box you beat me to it!
Lot of good that did!
The box is crushed! Sob! Before I could restore all women's reputation!
Silly. Women are doing fine! It was a girl who brought Hope into the world!

But it was very important that the box did **not** reach Hyphi's shrine!
Why?
If all the Troubles returned to the box I would have to return, too
Don't you see? Despite all troubles people **need** me!
Without Hope the world would be a **sorry** place indeed!

Sh-she's gone!
No, she hasn't! I think I understand.
And thanks to your big feet she'll always be around!
Say! I get it! Gosh! Who'd have thought?
Looks like I did the world a favour without knowing it
Yes, let's hope so!
END

Walt Disney
The Duck family has problems with cars these days! Case one: Donald Duck--
Crash course
Don't you think the level of protection is a little extreme Unca Donald?
You're just meeting Uncle Scrooge for lunch!
That's across town! I've studied auto accidents, boys and learnt that a good driver must be prepared for anything.
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Case two: Uncle Scrooge—
Humph! I offer Donald a meal and he still can't be on time!
This is nice! The food isn't any good, but the prices are great!
THE GREASY SPOON
SPLUT! Splutter! Wak! Crazy driver!
SPLOOSH!!!
Get that dangerous jalopy off the street! It almost drowned me!
John D. Rockerduck!
You wouldn't know a good car Scrooge!

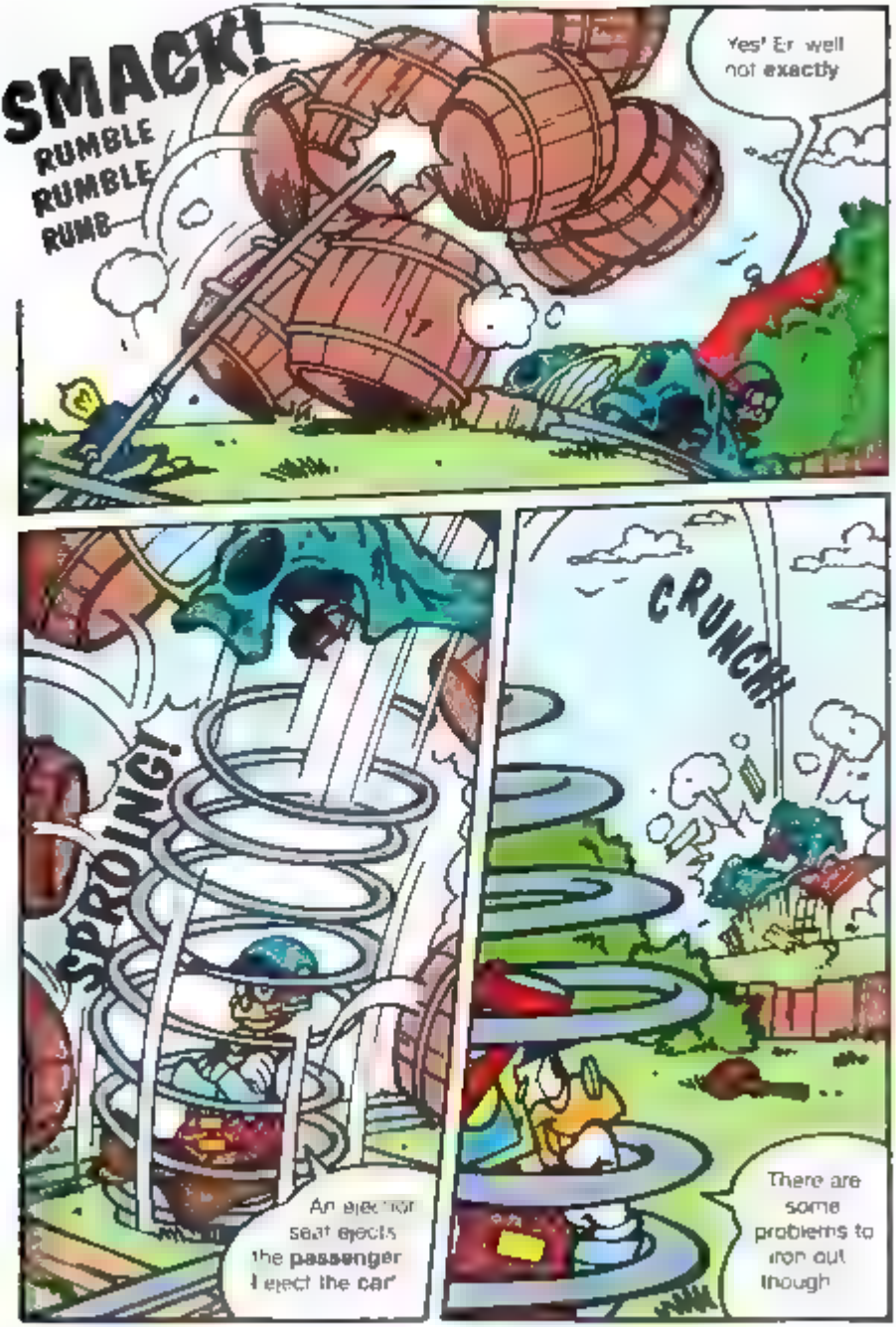
I'm going uptown! Need a lift?
Not in one of those scrap cans your car factory makes!
Scrap cans? My Rocker-duck Dimalers are engineering art! Try saying the same about your tin-toys!
I'm almost there - and still safe! I can just find a parking
Phew! That was close!
spot! Oh, drat!
!
SCRAATCH!
Hah! I see your nephew's "accident-magnet" is one of your models!

That's a **lot** of damage from a simple little sideswipe!
And you wouldn't need all that **protection** if you were driving a **Rockerduck-Dimeler**!
?
It's got every safety feature you can imagine! You're safer in this baby than in your own **living room**!
Phooey! I don't drive in my living room!
This McDuck **Belchfire Runabout** is a classic. Its years on the road are testimony to its safety and
er, **durability**!
Ha, ha-ha!
CLANK!

Safety would improve with your cars **off** the roads
At McDuck Motors, **safety** is our first **priority**
At McDuck Motors **saving a buck** comes **first**! I **spend** money when it puts me on **top**!
Your nails are made of such **cheap** metal
?
they become **magnetized** with age!
PING!
McDuck cars **are** the **safest** on the road!
The **Rockerduck-Dimeler** is so
It actually **avoids** accidents

Bah! I'll match every feature in your cars when my next model comes out!
I'd like to see you try, McDuck!
Are you challenging me?
Hmm-mm! Could be interesting!
Let's compete [illegible] the Rattletrap Mountains along Hazard Highway!
The car that survives with the least damage is the champ
Fine — on condition that we do it in bad weather
Uh-oh I'm not sure I want to be a part of this!

Soon —
I'll drop my car off at Gyro's. He's always fixed it for me in the past
Gyro! Just the person I want to see!
I want you to design a new extra safe car for my factory!
What a coincidence! I've just thought about car safety features
A rogue circus elephant flattened my sports coupe! I'm using the opportunity to improve it!
Watch my new Collision-Triggered Ejection System™!
Eh? An ejection seat?


SMACK!
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMB
Yes! Er well not exactly
SPRONG!
CRUNCH!
An ejector seat ejects the passenger I eject the car
There are some problems to iron out though

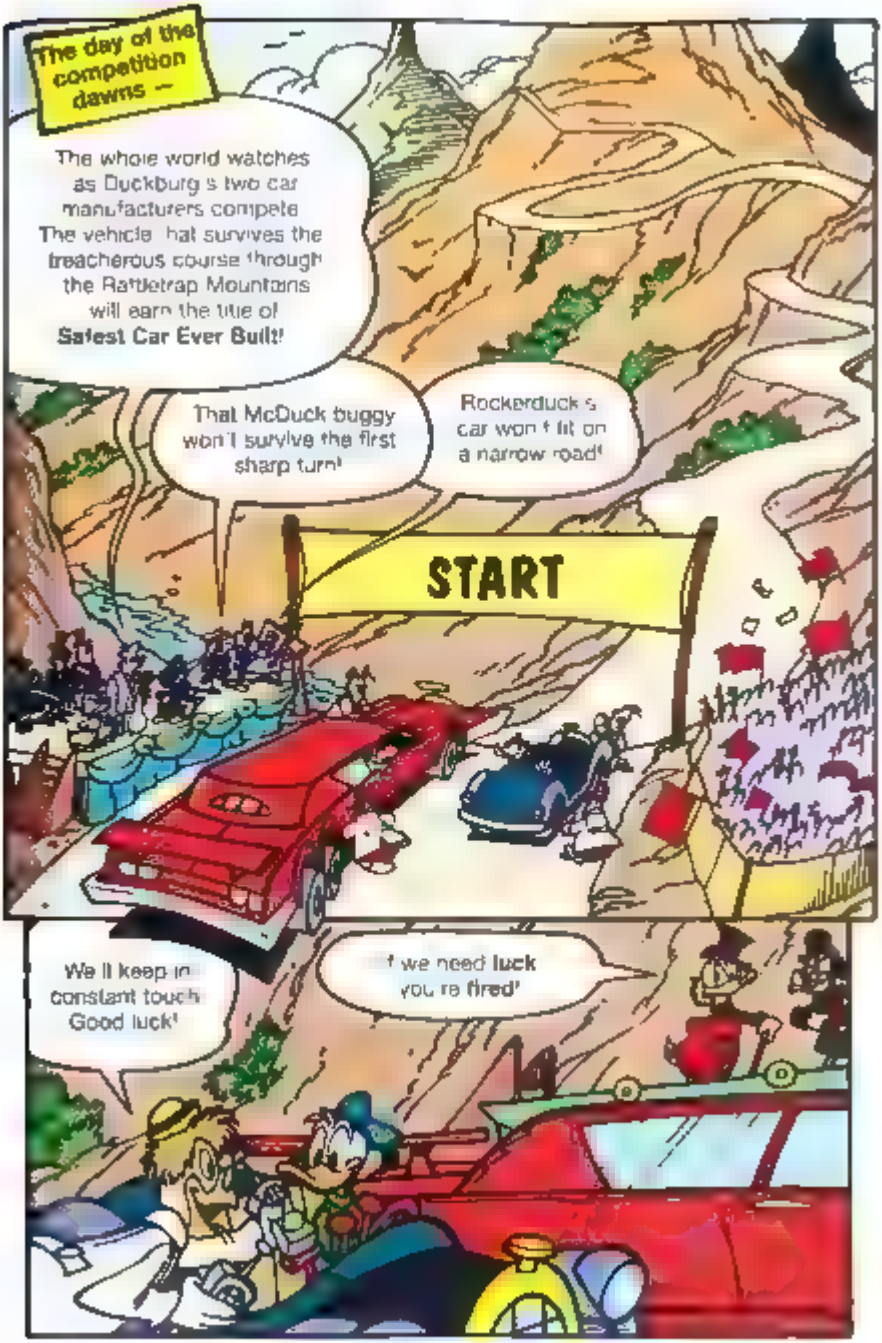
Is Gyro really going to design your safety car?
What else can I do? He does have new ideas
I have to admit the new McDuck Motors models are just like the old ones cheap
We have to find room for the anti-fog devices and the self-levelling brakes
Not to mention the tyre adjusters
We won't let Rockerduck get ahead of us. Although... er... I hope it doesn't require... uh... extreme measures!
DUCKBURG CHRONICLES
"We Will Spare No Expense!"

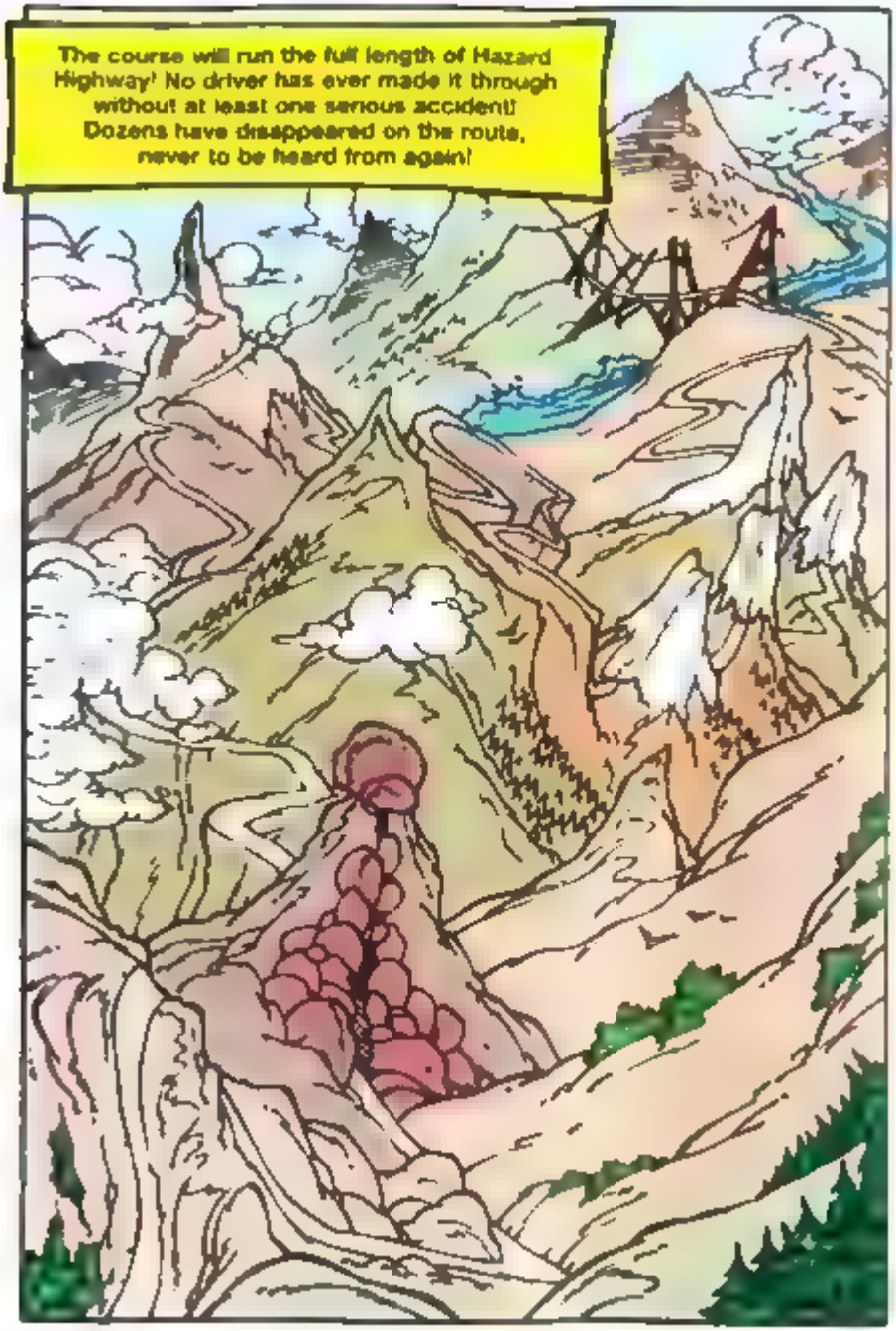
Did you choose me to test drive the prototype safety car because I'm a great driver?
No! Because you attract accidents
This protection suit may look a little small, but it will stretch!
?
How can it protect me?
It's automatically activated by car collisions
WAK!
PLOOOOMPF!
Hmmm. Needs some fine tuning
My first safety car features a sonar danger detector!
ZOOOOM

The second proposed car—
Extra-wheel model! Try it
How do I tell which way is up?
It doesn't matter!
can't tell which way I'm going
That could be a problem
The Rockerduck-Dimeter design team has just tested its pneumatic gravity-reduction car
Oh, my! I hope Gyro can top that.

This car will survive **any** possible accident
Sort of **big**, isn't it? What kind of fuel mileage do we get?
Uh, a hundred
A hundred **miles** to the **gallon**? That's excellent
Uh, not exactly! A hundred **gallons** to the **mile**!
Merciful mermaids!
Back to the drawing board! Hurry
Yessir!
Now! I've designed the **perfect car!**
That's **service!**

Presenting the all-new McDuck Safety Car of the Future!
?
That's the same model I've been selling since 1934
It seems that way! But it has all kinds of safety features concealed in it!
Your confidence makes me feel better
Nothing to worry about Uncle Scrooge
but yours doesn't!


The day of the competition dawns —
The whole world watches as Duckburg's two car manufacturers compete The vehicle that survives the treacherous course through the Rattletrap Mountains will earn the title of Safest Car Ever Built!
That McDuck buggy won't survive the first sharp turn!
Rockerduck's car won't fit on a narrow road!
START
We'll keep in constant touch Good luck!
If we need luck you're fired!


The course will run the full length of Hazard Highway! No driver has ever made it through without at least one serious accident! Dozens have disappeared on the route, never to be heard from again!

GO!
Hang onto your wheels, buster!
We have plenty room to spare!
Try to do something dumb on that hill up ahead!
Now, we don't want to **avoid** accidents. We want to **have** them and **survive** them!
Enough! I **know** what I'm doing!

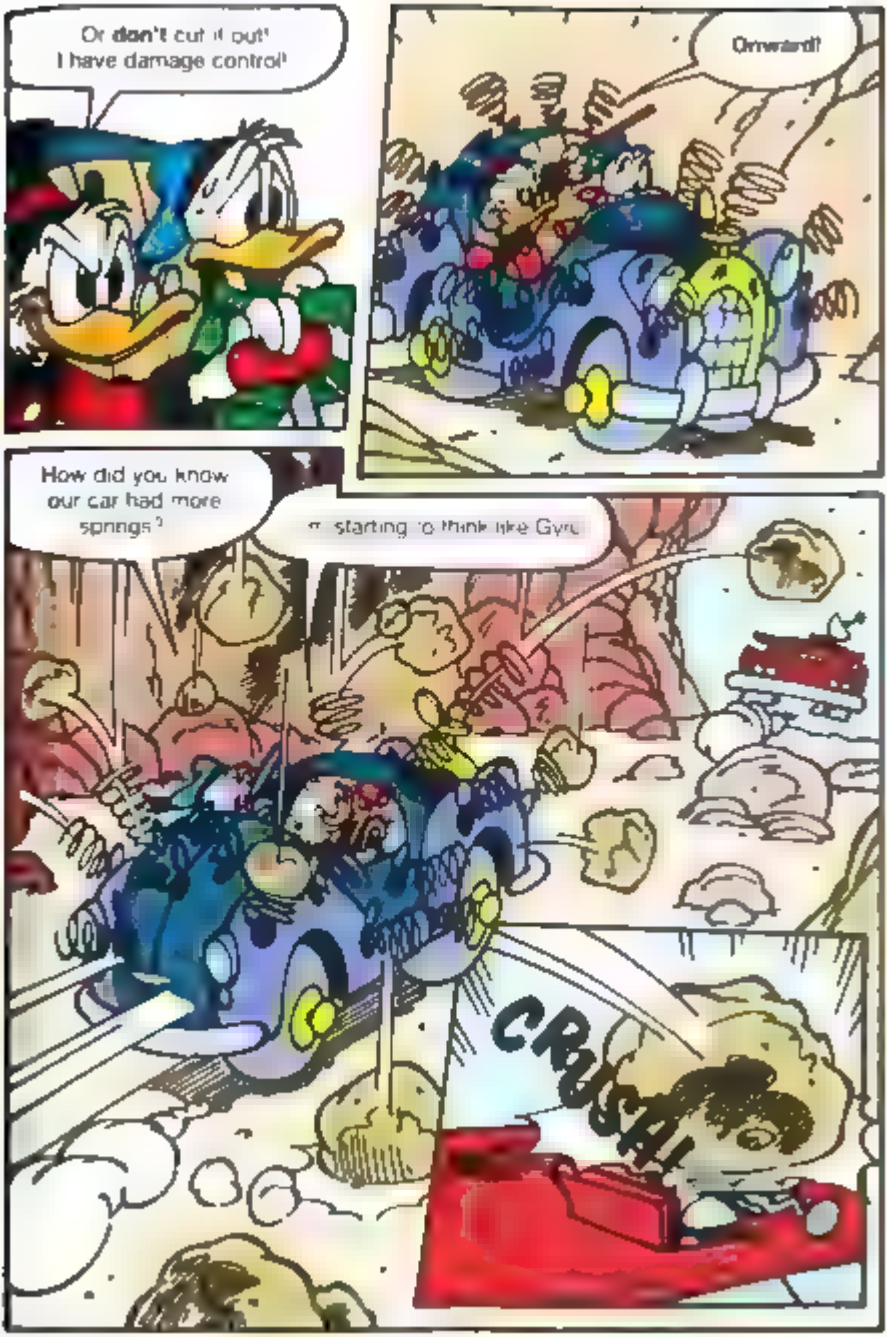
Decide which way to move McDuck!
Gyro! What do I do?
Keep calm and engage the pad-o-suction motivator!
I guess he means this
Now we're moving!
Oh, well! This is an obstacle course! Nobody said we couldn't bring extra obstacles
Oil!
Grrrrr!

Conditions just got a little worse, tightwad! Heh-heh-heh
Yeieks!
Push a button or something!
Which one? The yellow
They do the same thing!
POP!
My stars and little comets
We've rebounded! We're back at the top of the hill
BOING!

We're over the hill!
But how to slow down? The brakes don't work on a surface this steep!
Rockerduck seems to know how!
Quick, Gyro, help us!
Don't do anything!
Of course! Why didn't I think of that?
But we'll crash!

That s the idea!
Oh my!
FWOOP!
What s the point of crash protection if you don t use it?
BOMP!
BOOP!
CRUNCH!
Whoopee!
Hey!
Serves you right Hee-hee!

Now what? Do these falling rocks **squash** us?
Relax, I'm sure Gyro thought of everything!
I have a **rock-sensing radar-dish!**
Okay, Gyro! Where's **our** radar?
I'm afraid I didn't **think** of that!
This **rock-shooter** is another fancy gadget I paid for.
Hey! Cut it **out!**


Or don't cut it out! I have damage control!
Onward!
How did you know our car had more springs?
I'm starting to think like Gyro
CRUSH!

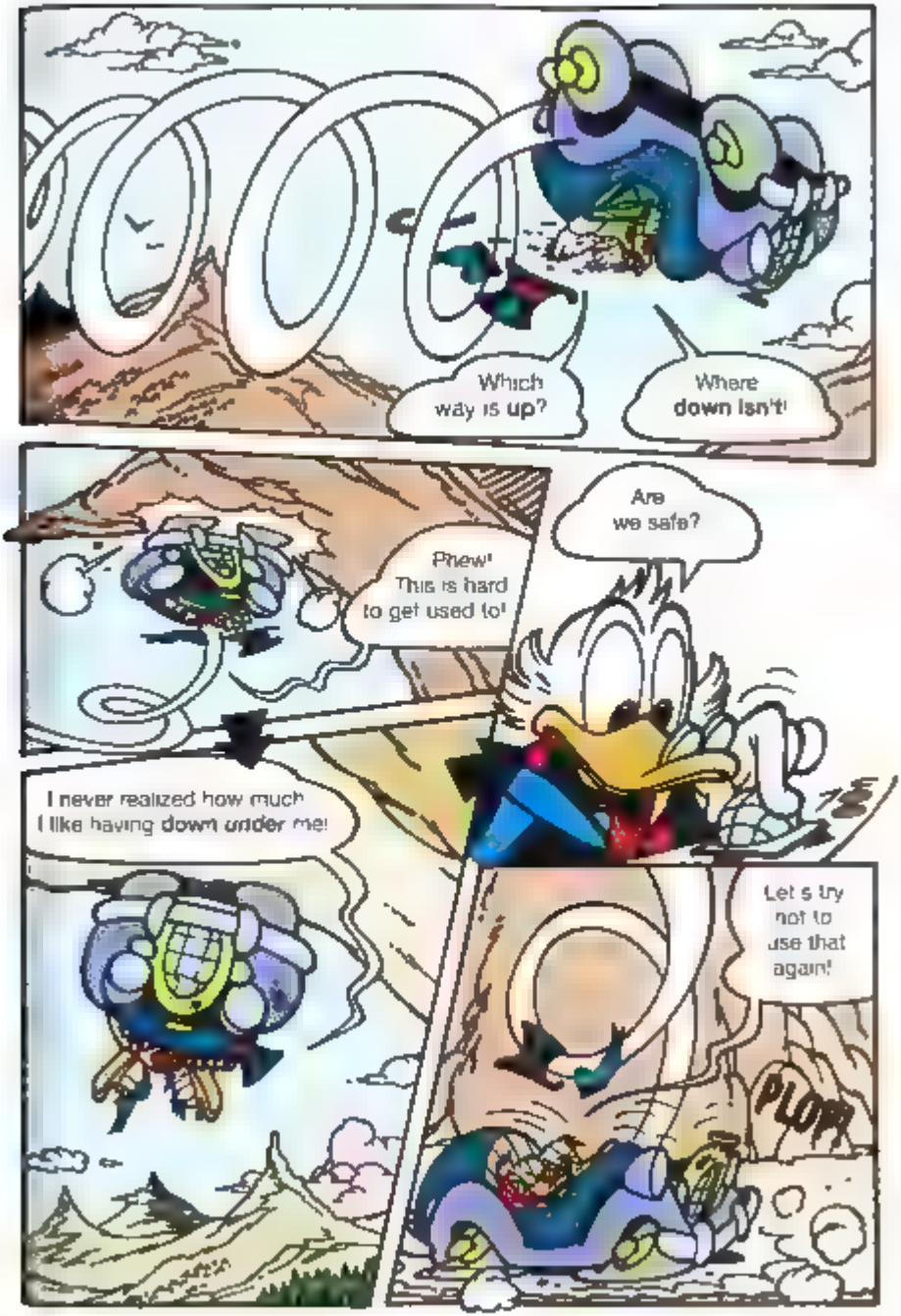
Uip! More **trouble**! An **impassable pass**!
Nonsense! You can't let a little **fog** stop you! Heh-heh-heh!
Put on your **infrared goggles** Chauncey!
Yessir!
And deploy the extra-pricey **infrared lights**!
Yessir!
We're **lost**, Uncle Scrooge! Shall we sound a **foghorn** to call for help?
Looks like Gyro did think of that!
FOG HORN

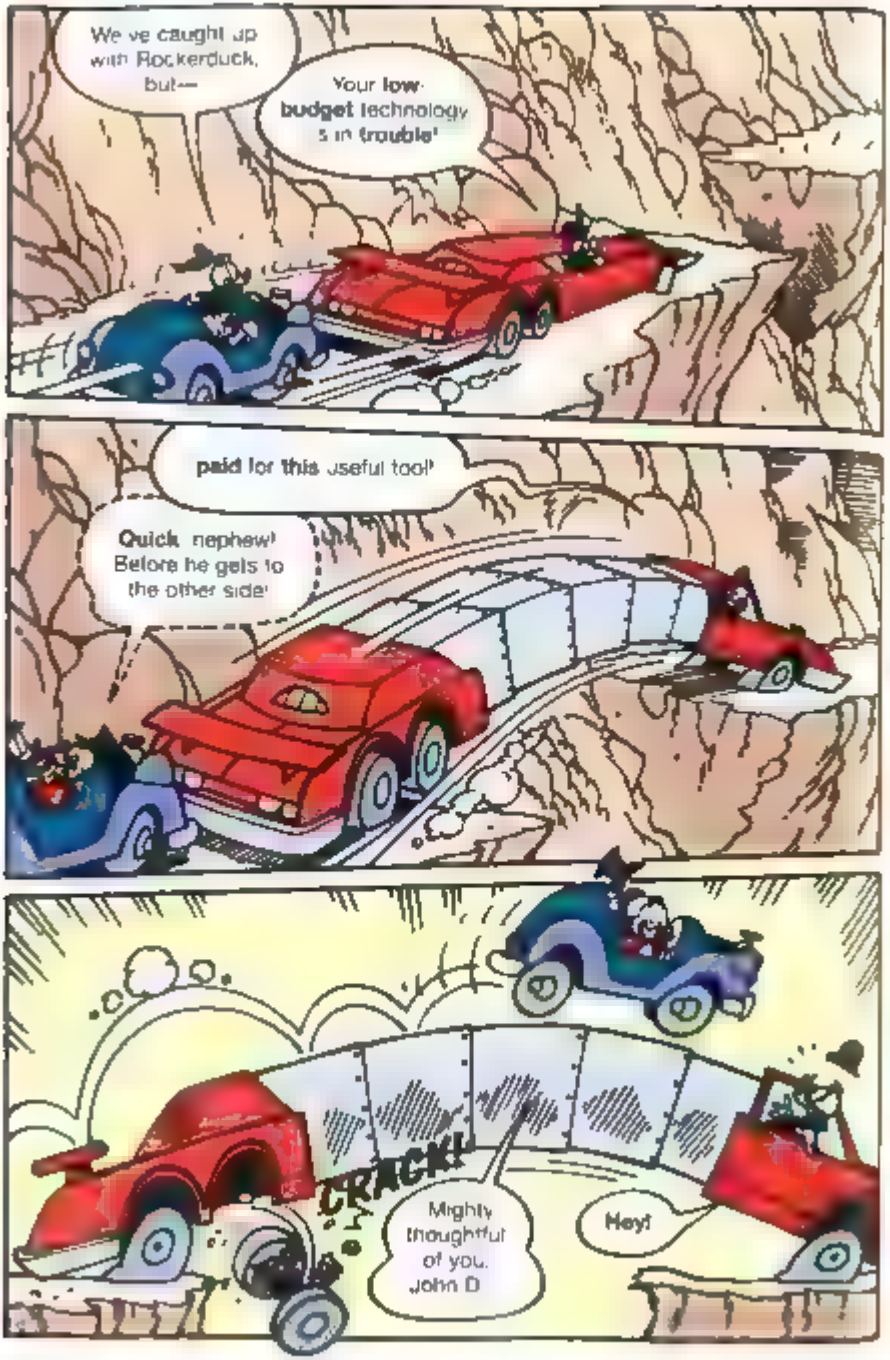
FAW
WWW
WGGGHH!!
Well well! It seems you should have spent some money on McDuck Puncture-Proof Tyres!
Bah

Gulp! I guess the easy part is over!
My tyres may be weak, McDuck, but I'll show you just how much damage the rest of my car can take!
Speed up Chauncey
Yessir!

CLANG!
Um... this might be a good opportunity to reconsider—
Nope. No one has ever called me chicken!
SKREEEE!
I'd rather be a chicken than a dead duck!
VROOM!
Perhaps you'll be both! It's the end of the road for you two
Wuk!

Gyro! Uneven terrain! Help!
Don't panic! Set the gravitational rotator to ninety degrees
I guess he means this
Wow! It redirected our gravitational pull!
Be careful! Look out for—
We're falling sideways!
Adjust the rotator!
SSSSWWWOOOOP!

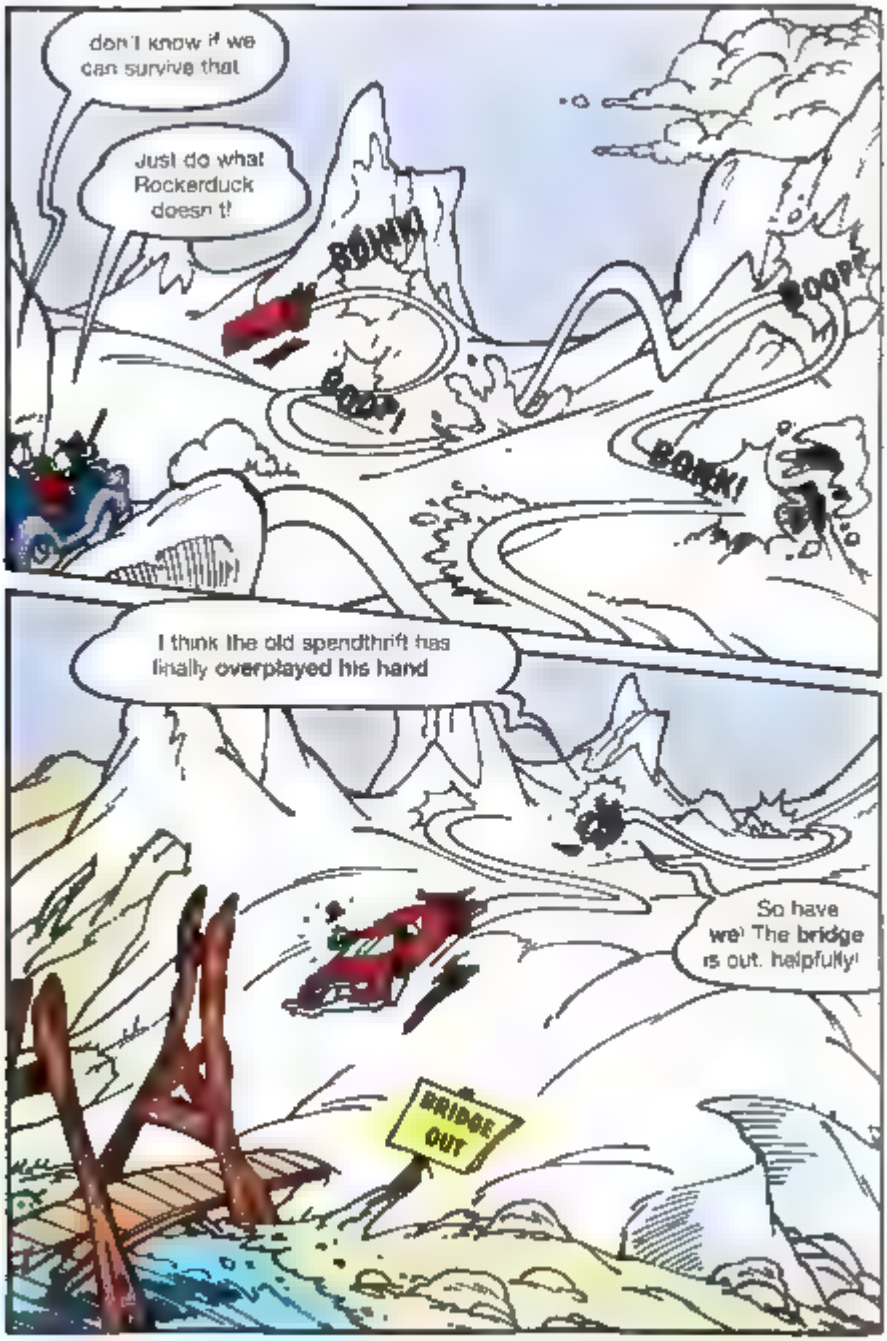

Which way is up?
Where down isn't!
Are we safe?
Phew! This is hard to get used to!
I never realized how much I like having down under me!
Let's try not to use that again!
PLOP!


We've caught up with Rockerduck, but—
Your low-budget technology is in trouble!
paid for this useful tool!
Quick, nephew! Before he gets to the other side!
CRACK!
Mighty thoughtful of you, John D.
Hey!

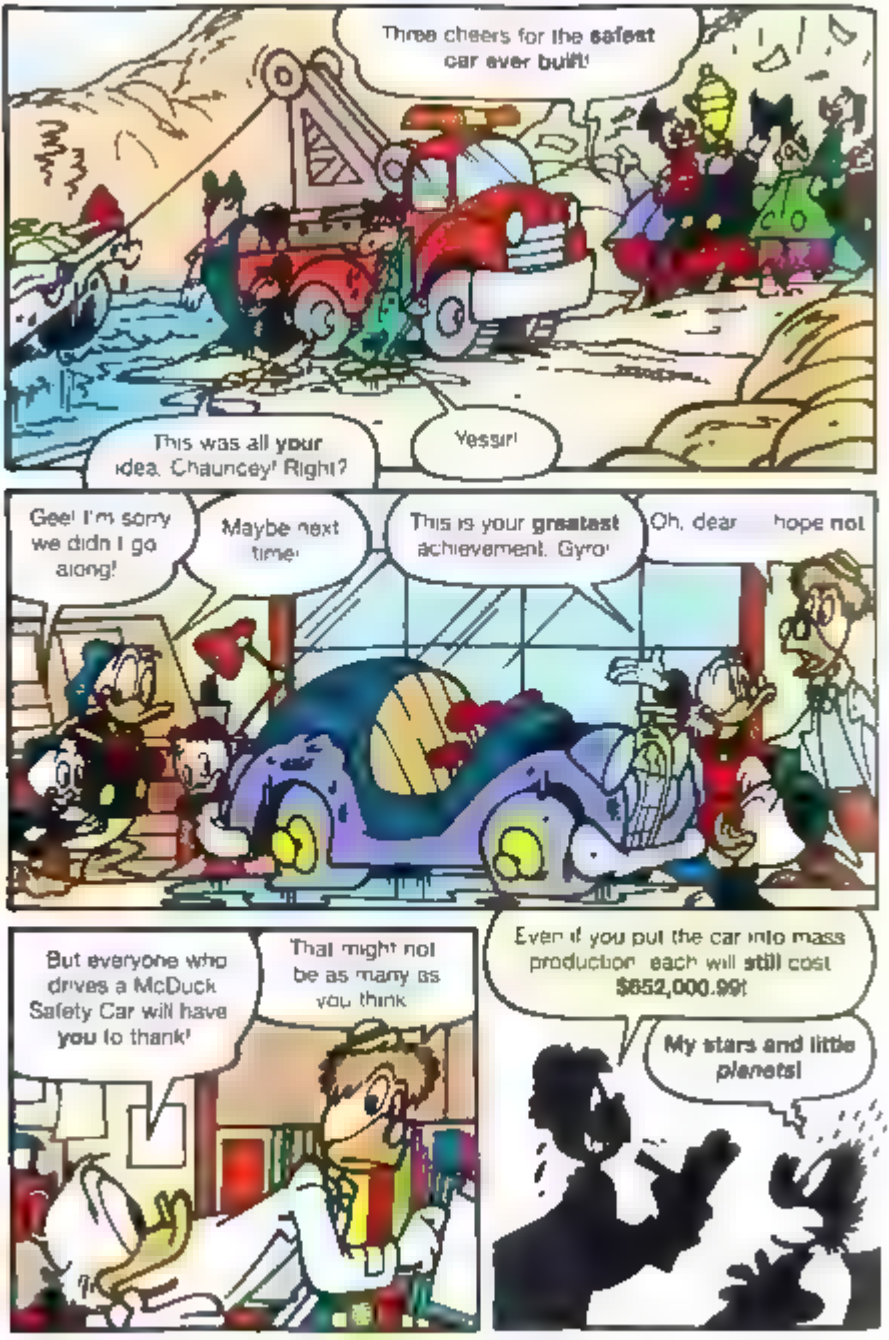
mighty thoughtful!
Come back and fight like a man
Why should ? You fight like a no-good cheat!
Uncle you should be glad he s put our car in danger When we started out, you said our goal was to have accidents!
Grumph!
Or aren t you sure that our ca is safer than Rockerduck s?
Shut up!
Maybe you should have paid Gyro what Rockerduck paid his mechanics?
Shut up! Shut up!

You're in trouble because Rockerduck spends more than you do!
He doesn't **care** about being the richest duck in the world.
He only wants to beat you in **business**, and now he has.
Bah!
He may **yet** slide down the slippery slope!
About **slippery slopes**.
Hee-hee-hee! The **heat's** on now!
MELT!

Pretty slick if I do say so myself.
Uh-oh!
Splut! Sput!
Rockerduck this is impossible. The whole area is like one big glacier!
That certainly won't stop me!


don't know if we can survive that
Just do what Rockerduck doesn't!
BONK!
BOOP!
BOOP!
BONK!
I think the old spendthrift has finally overplayed his hand
So have we! The bridge is out, helpfully!
BRIDGE OUT

Our car will **float**. But with all those expensive extra options
Get this thing under **control** Chauncey!
Yessir!
don't think **Rockerduck's** car will!
There they are! **Hooray** for **McDuck!**
If we're still in one piece, think we've won!


Three cheers for the **safest car ever built!**
This was all **your** idea, Chauncey! Right?
Yessir!
Gee! I'm sorry we didn't go along!
Maybe next time!
This is your **greatest** achievement, Gyro!
Oh, dear... I hope not.
But everyone who drives a McDuck Safety Car will have **you** to thank!
That might not be as many as you think.
Even if you put the car into mass production, each will **still** cost **$652,000.99!**
My stars and little *planets*!

I won the competition, but Rockerduck still makes the **cheapest** safety car!
What will you do with your prototype, Uncle Scrooge?
Huh? Oh, take it away! You can **have** it!
Yes!
But we don't have the bucks to keep it going!
Next day —
PERSONAL PLAYGROUND OF HUEY, DEWEY AND LOUIE DUCK
Well, at least know it's safe!
END

Walt Disney
THE GHOST RATS OF HAMELIN
Just another day in a duck's life —
Puff! Puff! Won't this mob ever give up?
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Made it!
?
!
Make one little mistake at the factory, and everybody's after your life's savings in damages!
I've shaken off the mob for now! Better start packing.
What's going on Unca?
Why am I always in trouble? And in debt?
And always pestered by pets?
WOOF!

Fate! That's the only answer! Fate just doesn't like me!
Unca Donald, watch out!
Yeww!
JAB!
Sorry! We're indexing the Woodchuck Museum's King Arthur collection! You stepped on a claw from Taurog's Monster Cat!
Here's a lock of Queen Guinevere's hair!
And that's a rare fragment of the Holy—
Shut up! You kids are driving me insane!
I'm sick and tired of this persecution! I need to take charge of my life!

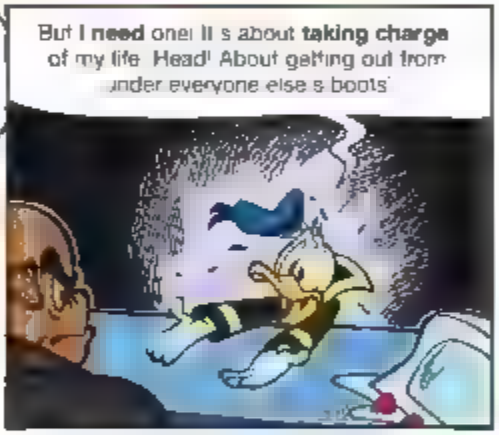
Phone the airport! I need a ticket out of town! Doesn't matter where!
You call that taking charge?
Besides, we haven't got any money!
Then get some! Now! I can't deal with that when a mob is chasing me, can't I?
KNOCK KNOCK KNOCK
Ack! They're here... I'm doomed!
Boys, get a pen and paper! I need to write my will!
Uh oh!
It's not the mob, Jnca but, uh, you won't like it!
It's... Cousin Fethry
!
Fethry!
Now I can take charge of my life!

My dear cousin! Great to see you! It's been far too long!
I came to invite you to an art exhibi—
I can't wait
Forget the plane tickets! boys! I'll be back when things have cooled down!
Now, about that art exhibit
Forget art. We're going to TNT!
TNT? The Tamers of Nonhuman Threats?!
You got it!

"It was no picnic *last* time we worked for those supernatural-hunters!" But a job with them *now* is *just* what I need to get me *away* from that mob!"
* See Lustiges Taschenbuch 2961
Great! I've been reading **paranormalist books** from TNT's **library** since the last time we were there!
Now I can put my new knowledge into action!
Uh-oh!
At TNT HQ –
You want an **assignment abroad**, Donald? *Now!*

We've told you **before** freelance agents don't **get** assignments whenever they **want** them! We contact **you**, not the other way around!
But

And your supervisor, Kolik, is busy at headquarters today! I'm **very** leery of giving you two a job **without** her!


But I **need** one! It's about **taking charge** of my life! Head! About getting out from under everyone else's boots!

I **also** have to **skip town** before a **mob** catches me!
Very encouraging!

Okay! I may have **one** job for you—
knew it!

"Every year in Hamelin, Germany, on the anniversary of the day that the Pied Piper drove the city's rats into the river, a gang of the rats' ghosts return "
"...for a week!"
TNT hasn't gotten involved yet. But maybe it's time we did something.
Absolutely!
Don't worry, Head! Fethry and will handle this for you!
Come, Fethry!
Did you notice how the Head gauged the level of threat that the ghost rats posed? Only a true expert could—
Quiet, Fethry!

Hmm. So this is the experimental plasma gun. Solidifies ghosts so they're easier to [illegible] but
Snort!
Need help selecting weapons?
Thanks, Agent Kolik. But I know what we need!
In fact, feel free to come to me if you ever have trouble deciding!
If my long experience leaves me unsure of what weapons to use, I'm certainly come to you. Pethry
Good, good

Good luck on your mission
Thanks, Jackson
Great guys those agents!
That's for sure
Those incompetent ducks will bungle things again and we'll have to save them
Amateurs
Later in Germany
and remember our guidelines Fethry TNT is a secret organization! We've got to keep it that way
FLUGHAFEN
HANNOVER
HANNOVER AIRPORT

so though we'll wear our TNT gear, we'll **pretend** to be **amateur** ghost hunters!
Agreed!
So —
Ach, new ghost hunters! am **glad** to see you
Those **terrible** ghost rats have hounded my vote— uh, fellow citizens for ages! We'll pay to get rid of them — ahem! if it's not too **much**!
Of **course** Mr. Mayor!
My citizens are hiding everywhere! Don't expect any of them to help you catch the rats!
I would gladly help, but with my bad **back**, you know
Yeah, get it!

Your town will be safe when we're done
Brilliant
This is gonna be a snap!
But the Mayor seemed scared
The Mayor is a coward! The Head didn't see the rats as a big problem!
So?
So the rats must only scare sissies! We'll be a match for them!
That night —
Brr- It's chilly!
Time for my phantom menacer
Sounds logical coz-sin!

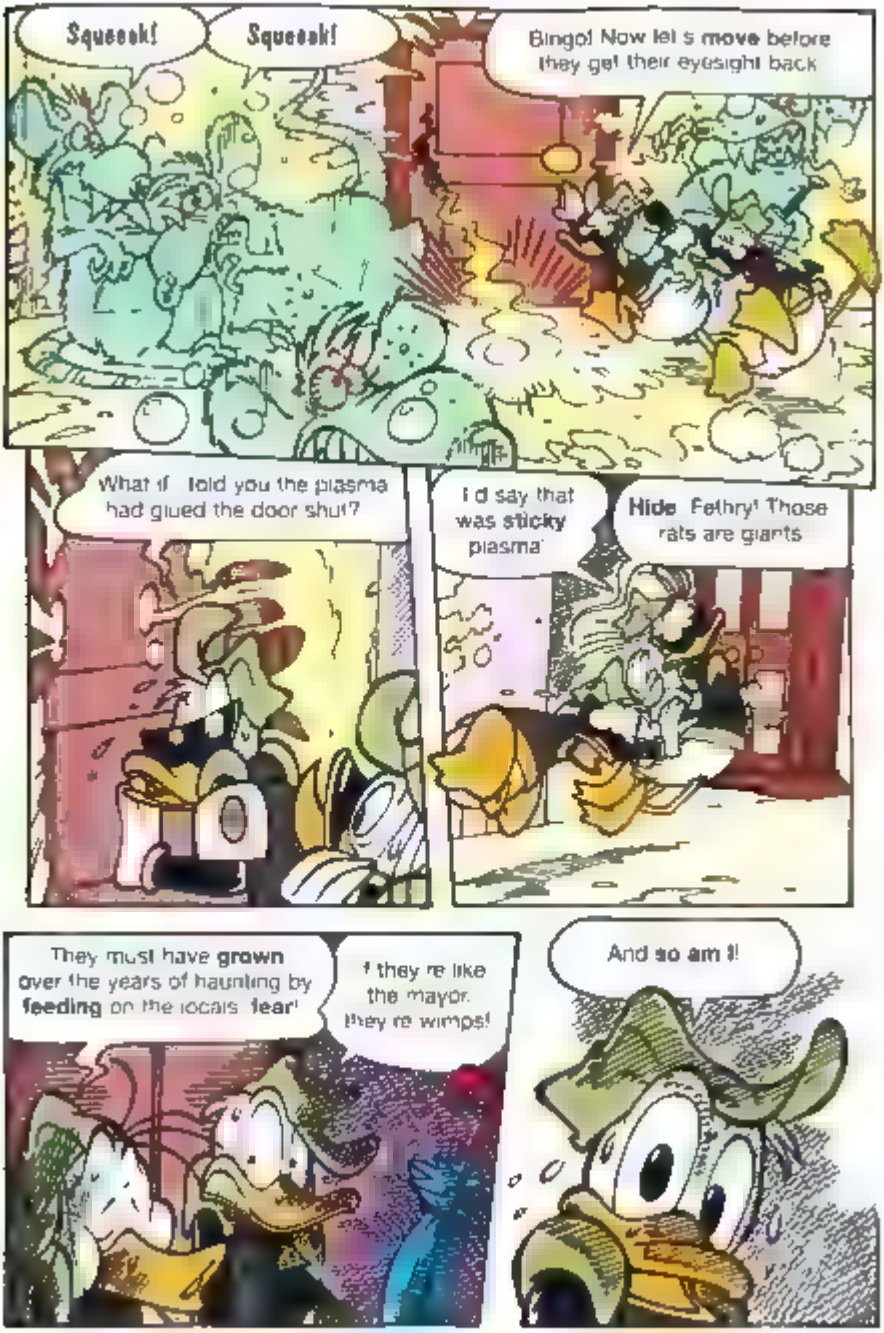
"Phantom menace" ?
It drains ghosts of ectoplasm forcing them to go back to the ghost zone they come from!
I bet I won't need mine! My two feet should be enough to stomp out the ghost rats we find!
Don't jump to conclusions We need to discuss our strategy!
Are you kidding?
The only strategy we need is you following my lead
Strange The light in the Mayor's office just went on!
But the Mayor's gone home! We'd better go see who's there!
Wait, cousin!

I've read about ghosts luring mortals with lights. This might be a trap!
Phooey! Rats are too stupid to trap people. Trust me.
I'll guard our rear while you check out the office!
This is working out perfectly! Felthry is finally obeying me.
That's what taking charge is about, making people listen.
Hm! Wonder what's keeping him?
BÜRGERMEISTER

Help! Help!
SMACK!
Follow me, Donald! We're getting out of here!
What happened?
SNIFF! SNIFF!
Sweet mother of Jehosophat!

It's a ghost rat... mean that's a ghost rat
There you are, Donald!
It is the size of a house!
's after us
We're trapped!
Squeak
They're blocking the door. Now what do we do?
Don't worry! I know
CLICK!

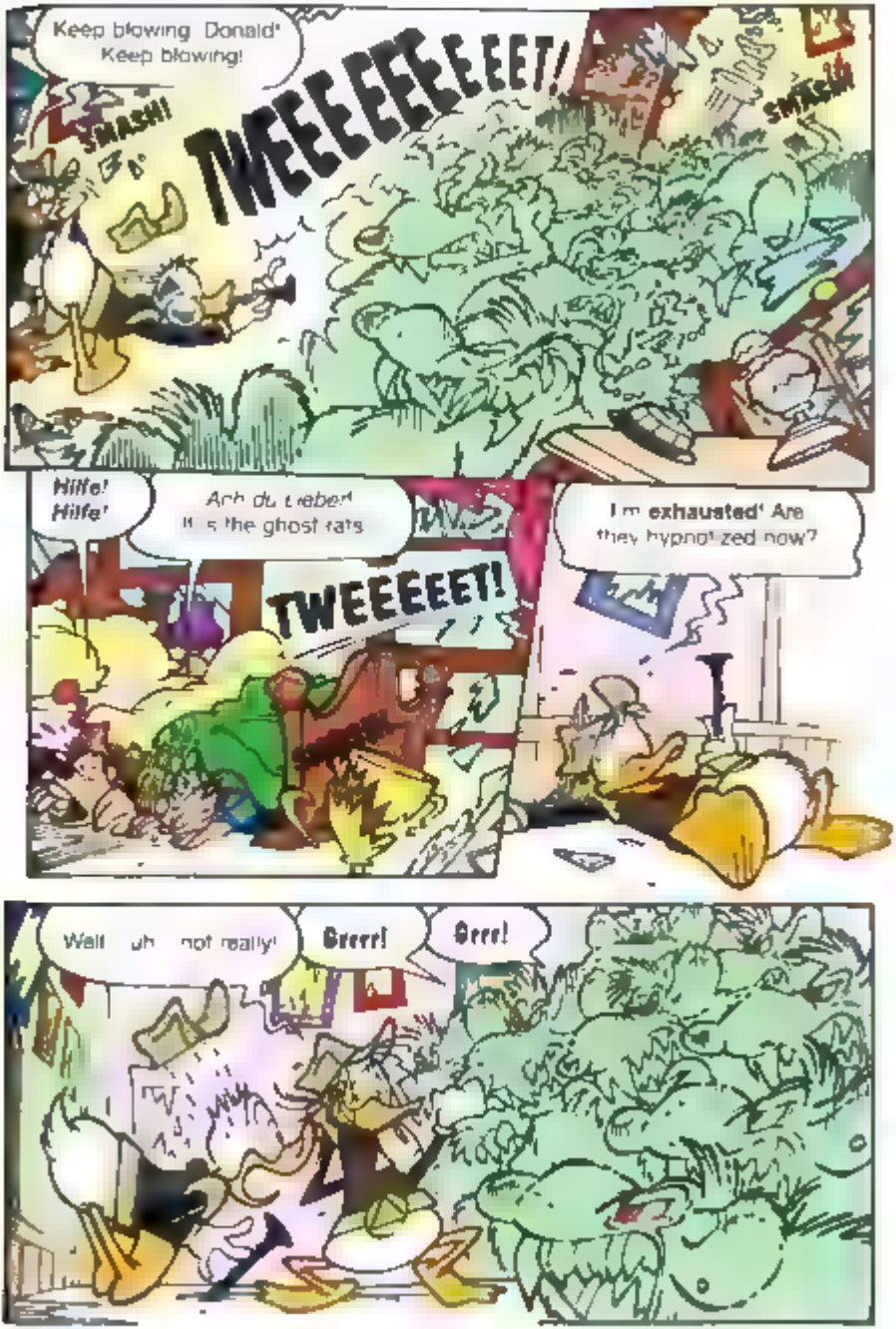
Remember the **plasma gun**? It's supposed to solidify ghosts so they can't move!
Do you still think that target practice I took at TNT was a waste of time?
SPLUT SPLUT
In a word **yes**!
We'll make it to the door! Put on your TNT sunglasses Fethry!
Let's see how these mice handle a **flare**!
FWOOSH!

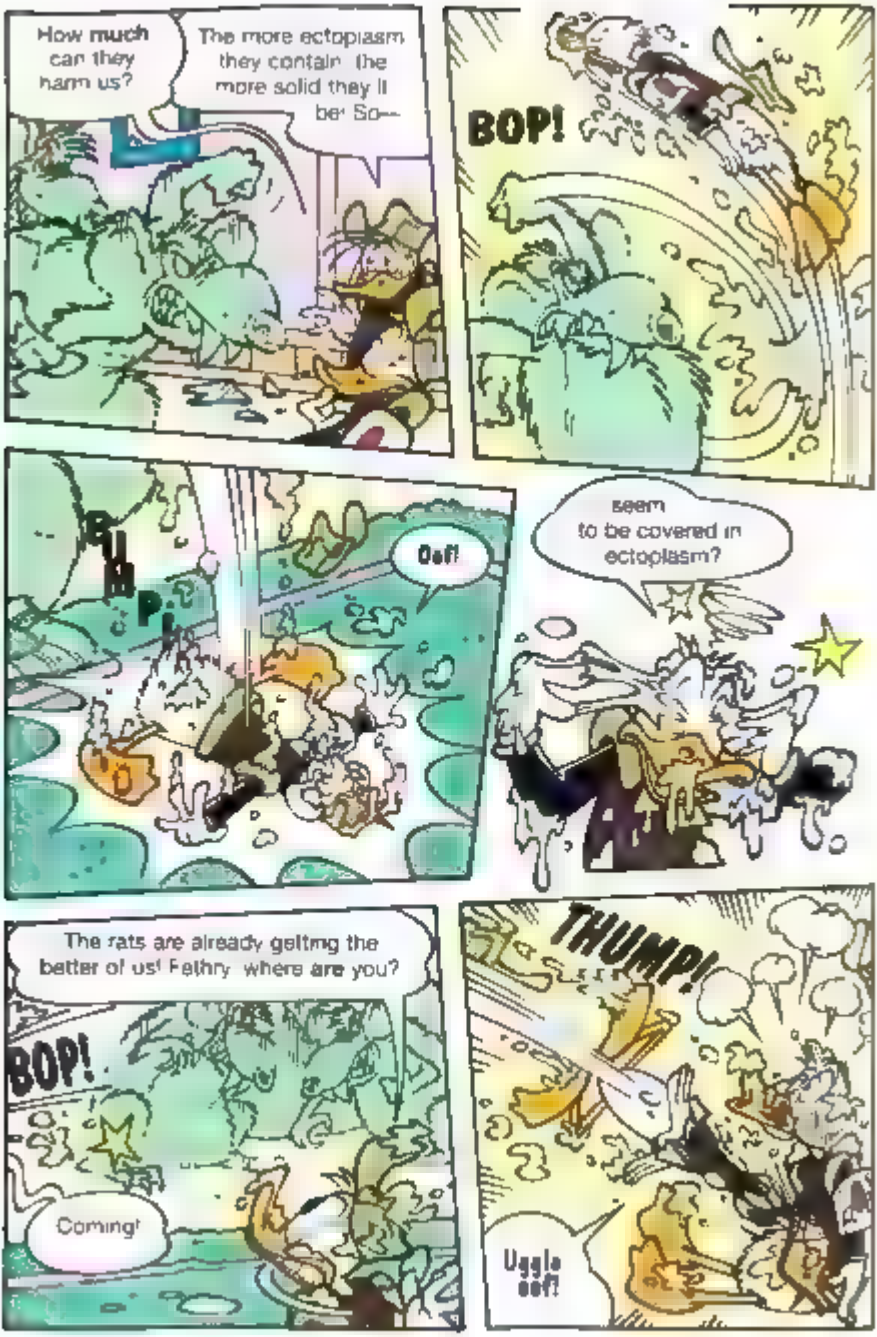

Squeak!
Squeak!
Bingo! Now let's move before they get their eyesight back
What if I told you the plasma had glued the door shut?
I'd say that was sticky plasma!
Hide Fethry! Those rats are giants
They must have grown over the years of haunting by feeding on the locals' fear!
If they're like the mayor, they're wimps!
And so am I!

The ghosts are **big** and **scary**! Let's go back to Duckburg
Are you serious?
We're **Tamers of Nonhuman Threats**! We can't just **walk out** now!
People **depend** on us, Donald!
You're **right**!
We need to take the initiative, but how?
Let's use this **Pied Piper flute** bought at the souvenir shop!
Let the rats corner us. Then we **hypnotize** them like the Pied Piper and make them **vanish forever**!
That's a good idea, Fethry.
Thanks, Donald!

SNIFF!
SNIFF!
Hello boys! It's your prey!
!
!
Squeak!
Squeak!
It worked! They're following us!
No kidding!
Squeak!
The plan works! Come to the meeting room
SLAM!
Run as far into the room as possible! We want all the rats to follow us in

Okay, we're cornered! Time to pull out your surprise!
You got it
Play Donald!
What?
You want me to play it? I haven't played a flute since school! Why can't you
was never allowed as I might damage my delicate beak
Grrr!
If we ever get out of this alive, Fethry, I'm gonna kill you!
TWEEEET!


Keep blowing, Donald! Keep blowing!
SMASH!
TWEEEEEEEEEET!
SMASH!
Hilfe! Hilfe!
Ach du t'rebe! It's the ghost rats
TWEEEEEET!
I'm exhausted! Are they hypnotized now?
Well... uh... not really!
Grrrr!
Grrr!


How much can they harm us?
The more ectoplasm they contain the more solid they'll be! So—
BOP!
Oof!
seem to be covered in ectoplasm?
The rats are already getting the better of us! Fethry, where are you?
BOP!
Coming!
THUMP!
Uggle oof!

Fascinating! Those ghost rats **can hurt** us
Hurt us? They can **murder** us!
We need more weapons. I'm ready for **anything**!
Agreed
Wha what s **wrong** with our armband compressors?!
They don t **work**!
The ectoplasm must have ruined them! They re **unusable**!
!
Fire your engines. Fellhy! Time to **run**!
Squeeek

More rats!
I can take two!
WEEEEEEE!
Where to now cousin?
Out a window. the front door's stuck shut! Then to our hotel!
We're getting out! This is too much!
Agreed!
HOTEL NEPTUN
We need to be out of here before the ghost rats come
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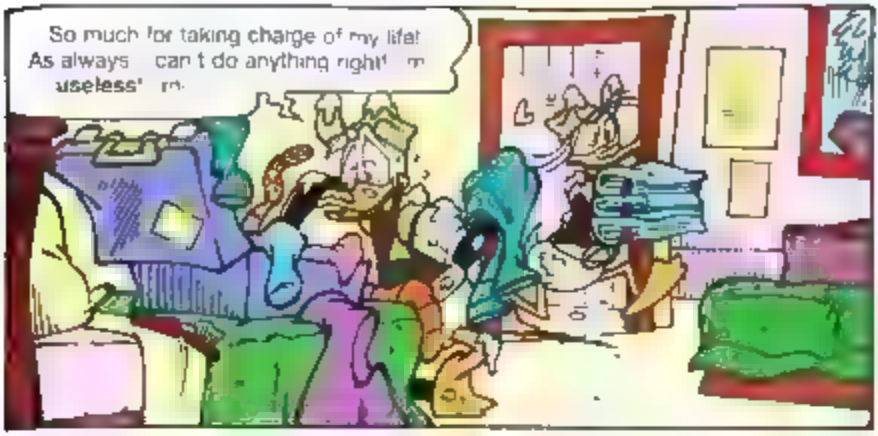
So much for taking charge of my life!
As always, I can't do anything right! I'm useless!

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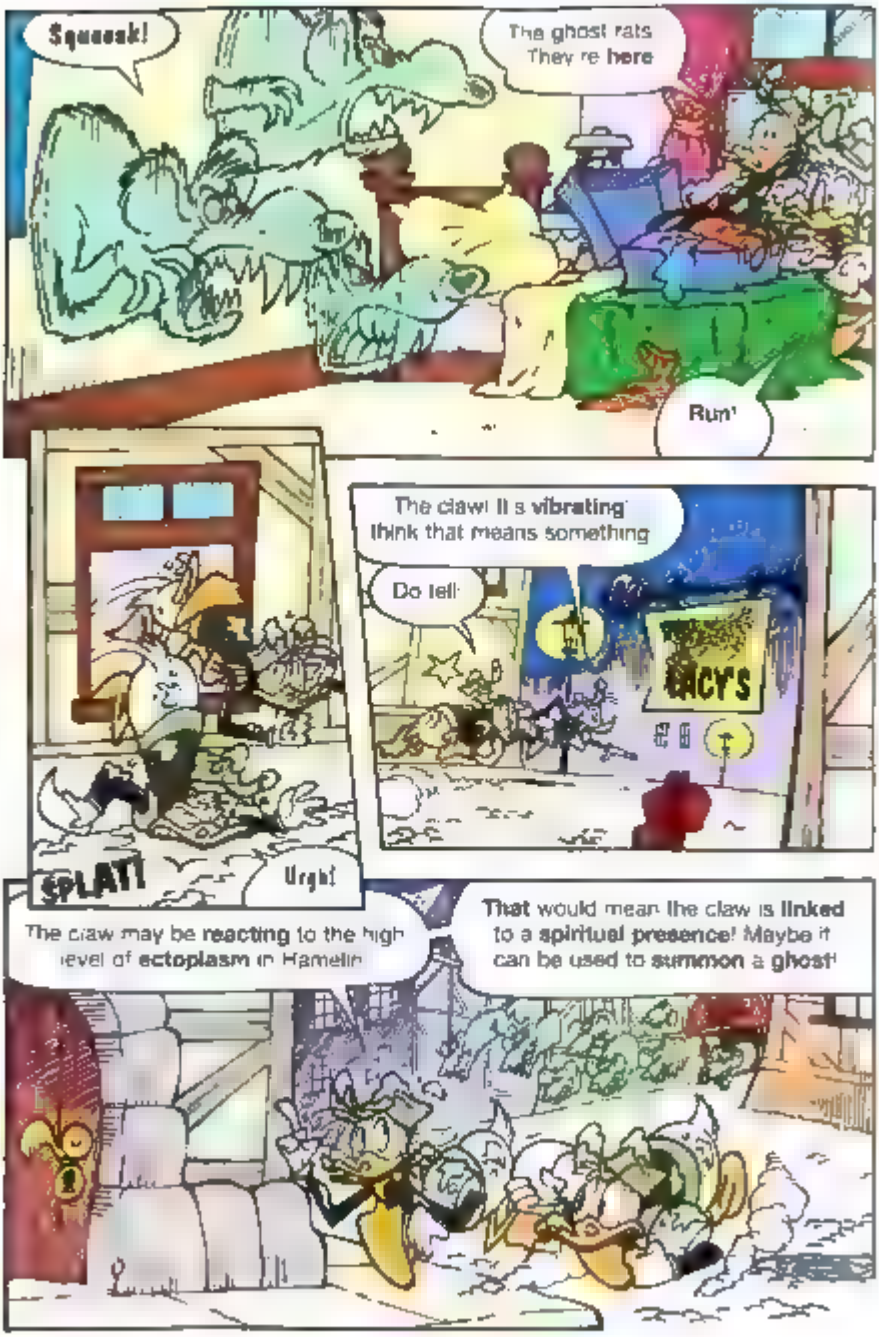
Why did I pack this?

Pack what?
This thing the kids have! Odd how it vibrates!

It's a claw from some kind of monster cat

Monster cat!


Squeak!
The ghost rats They're here
Run!
SPLAT!
Urgh!
The claw! It's vibrating! I think that means something
Do tell!
CACY'S
The claw may be reacting to the high level of ectoplasm in Hamelin
That would mean the claw is linked to a spiritual presence! Maybe it can be used to summon a ghost!

Smear the claw with ectoplasm and start speaking in tongues! It's our last chance
Fethry you speak in tongues
SPLOT! SPLOT!
Rapture so rare! It's working!
Squeek!
We're ready for you!
!

Greet the ghost of Taurog's Monster Cat!

CHOMP!
The rats are gone
It's a ghost-eat-ghost world!
Come out cowa— er— The rats are gone!
You're free
They are right!
Himmel! After all these years, the rats are gone!

I'm proud of you boys!
Long live the ghost hunters! Long live the Mayor!
I knew it was wise to hire those two!
Good work, Mayor!
could have thought of the ghost cat myself but had to consider my voters before taking any drastic action!
Sometimes one has to—
Ach
Run! It's going to eat us!
Eeeek!

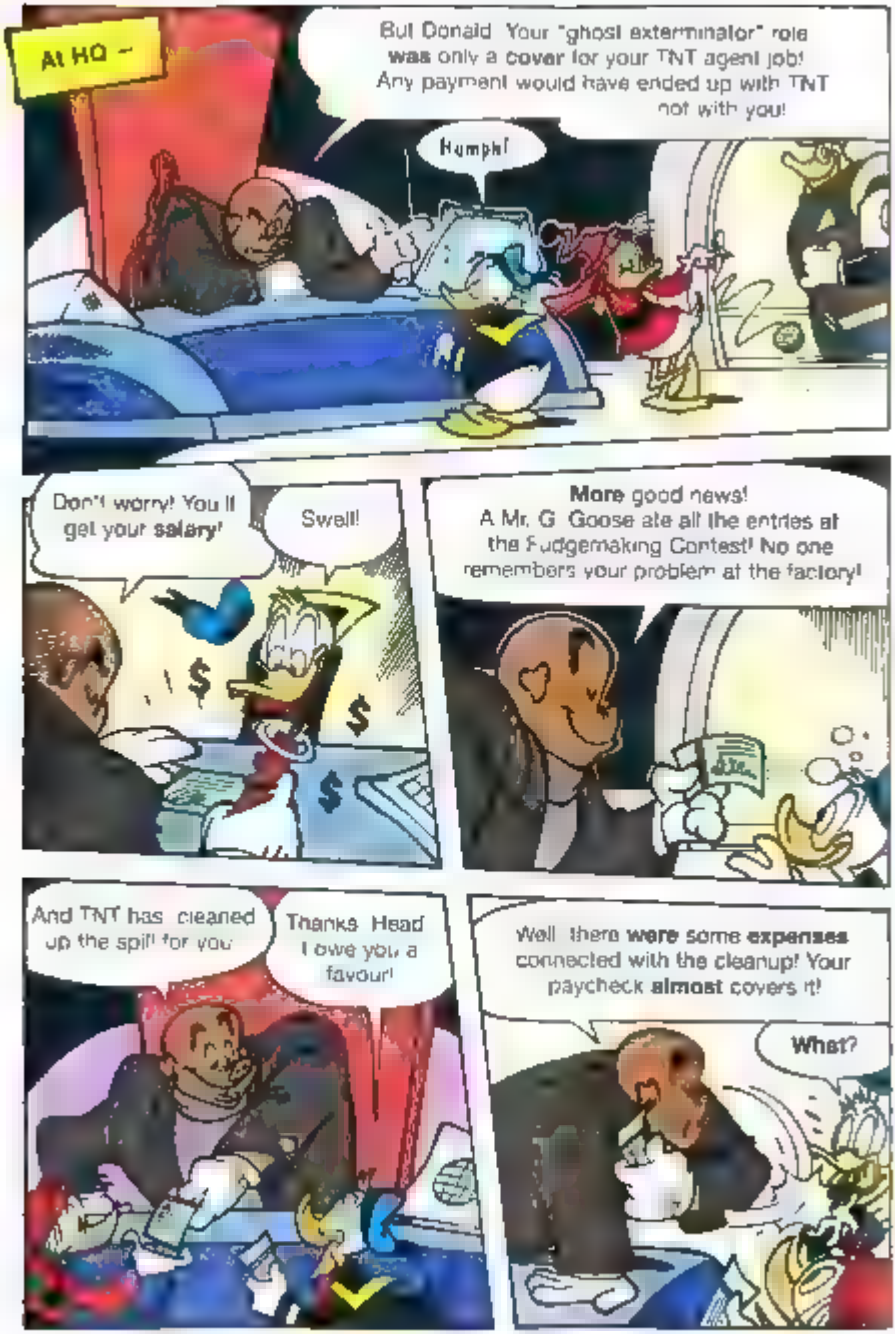
Run! It's hot on our heels!
Follow me! I'll lose the monster!
It's still there! That cat is a menace!
This way, voters! To the house of my rival in the next election—
The cat's too close!
All the citizens' fear energy makes the cat grow
Fear? Yes, of course!

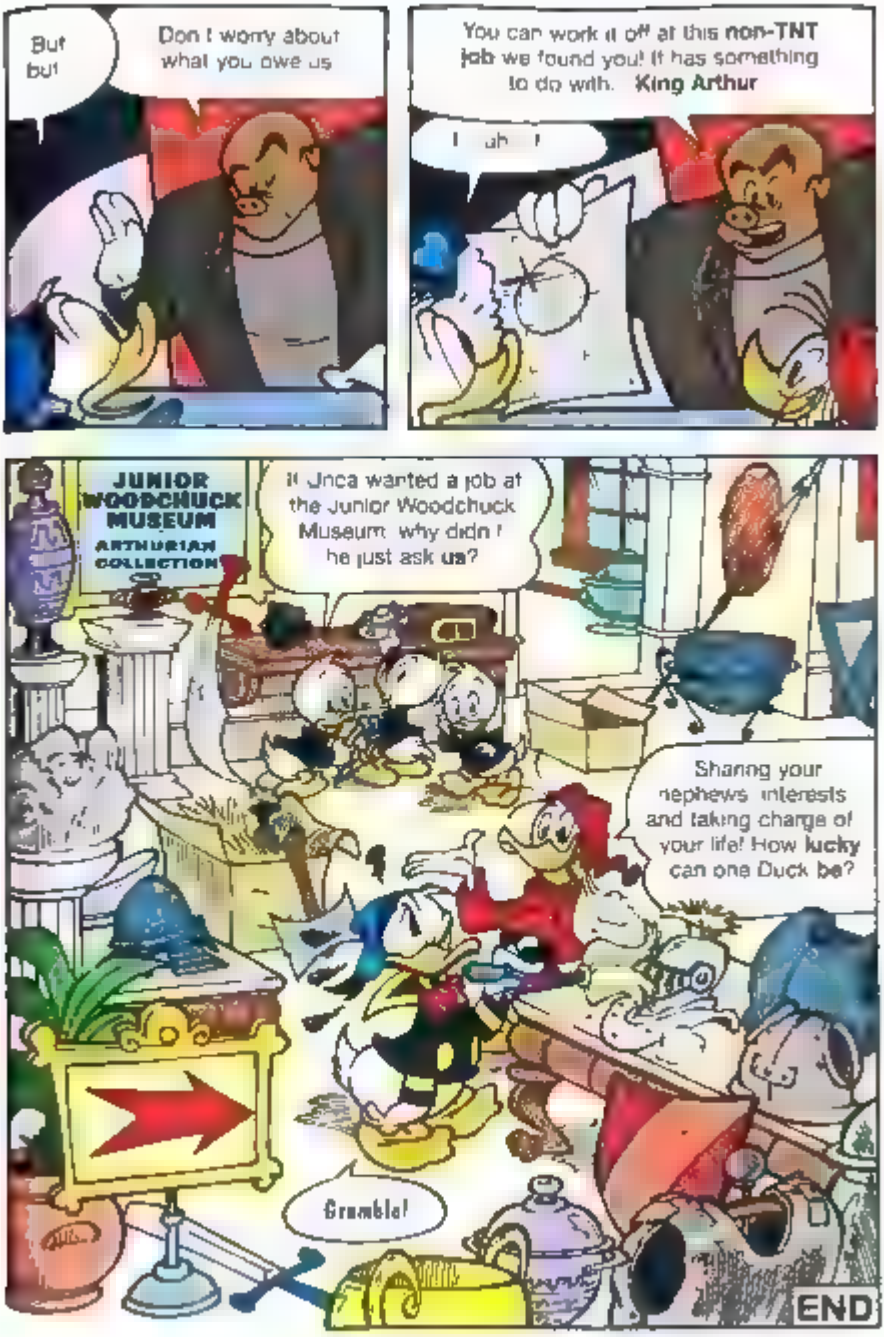
If fear can make a ghost larger, then courage might make it smaller!
So?
If you stand up to the cat, we might have a chance of stopping it.
Ja. You may be right!
But I cannot ask my voters, citizens, to risk their lives!
But that's our only hope.
Listen! Stand up to that cat, or my cousin and I will.
Er... right! Stand up to the cat, citizens.
Gracious, Donald. These people really are cowards!

s time! Here comes trouble
Fzzzzt!
Steady II can't hurt us
hope!
Look it straight in the eyes! Sneer at it
Sneer! Sneer!
Fzzt!
?
Phew! t's working!

Keep at it! Keep sneering! Stand firm like never before, folks.
Fzzt!!
Firm!
Fzzt!
Firm!
Fzzzt!
PUFF

Victory! If only Gladstone could see me now!
You don't need him. You've got me!
Thank you. But it was the people of Hamelin, not you who defeated the cat!
!
The removal of the rats was incidental! You won't get a cent.
Splutter. What
Long live the Mayor!
Thank you, my dear vote— friends!
Come on, Fethry. Let's go home before I get sick!


At HQ –
But Donald! Your "ghost exterminator" role was only a cover for your TNT agent job! Any payment would have ended up with TNT not with you!
Humph!
Don't worry! You'll get your salary!
Swell!
More good news! A Mr. G. Goose ate all the entries at the Fudgemaking Contest! No one remembers your problem at the factory!
And TNT has cleaned up the spill for you!
Thanks. Head I owe you a favour!
Well, there were some expenses connected with the cleanup! Your paycheck almost covers it!
What?


But but
Don't worry about what you owe us
You can work it off at this non-TNT job we found you! It has something to do with... King Arthur
I... uh...?
JUNIOR WOODCHUCK MUSEUM
ARTHURIAN COLLECTION
If Jnca wanted a job at the Junior Woodchuck Museum why didn't he just ask us?
Sharing your nephews' interests and taking charge of your life! How lucky can one Duck be?
Grumble!
END

Walt Disney
Gilty
AS Charged
I sure hope Gyro has finished developing that new indestructible oil drilling bit ... save me big dollars
Every penny counts, eh, Uncle?
!
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You! After all these years!
Grasper Gribley! Omigosh!
You destroyed my diamond mine! Fiend!
Gak!
Break it up now!
Yahhh! It's your fault I ended up a smelly ol' tramp!
Move along now, before I run you in!
Humph
Are you all right, sir?
Flub-a-dub!

It's okay, officer: our friend Gyro lives close by!
We're sure Uncle Scrooge will recover in just a minute!

What's up with Mr McDuck?
An old tramp **attacked** him!

He **may** have hit his head, but we don't know!

It looks as if Mr McDuck has gone into a **trauma**!

It's as if there's a **battle** going on in his subconscious. Fortunately I have something that may help!
As an inventor I hate today's **virtual reality games**! I recently tried making a **better** game, one that could transport you into your **own personal** fantasy!
It flopped as a game, but as a **portal into the subconscious** it works fine!
So?
With these, you'll be able to **enter Mr McDuck's mind** and find out what's **wrong** with him!
Remember, when you want to come back out, just tap the sides of your heads!
Here goes nothin'
Geronimo!

ZAP!
If this is in Uncle Scrooge's brain, he has **big problems**
The **prisoner** is in here!
Uncle Scrooge
Boys! Donald!

What are you doing here lads?
We've entered your subconscious to help you!
Time to go, folks!
ZING!
Hey, my chains just Yeowch!
Hurry along now, we don't wanna be late!
Goin' up!
You've got a weird brain Uncle Scrooge!

!!!
The court is in session

"...Let the accused take the stand!"
Yowp!
ZING!
Who is representing you for the defence Mr McDuck?
I- don't know
In that case the court will appoint your defence council!
PING!
Aaarghh! Not you!

Wow!
ZING!
Very well. Let's get it over with!
Scrooge McDuck, you stand accused of **destroying** a diamond mine belonging to one Grasper Gribley. What say you?
As your defence brief strongly advise you to **lie through your teeth!**
Lie? **Never!** In this court the judge **hears all!**
Perhaps it would help the jury to see events according to the defendant's **memory!**
ZING!

START
Ooh! I do love a good movie!
My mine s a winner McDuck You wait an see
You won t laugh so loud when you see my diamonds, Gribley!
SCROOGE

I can dig twice as fast as that loafer! Of course I'll strike diamonds first!
Deep under the hills
It's a-one for the money two for the show
Egad!
Eureka!
Get out of my mine, Gribley!
This map proves it's mine! You dug right under my hill, McDuck!
Wak!

Now git before I get tetchy
don't believe it. Things like this just don't happen to me
Oof!
My buggy is running away
SCREECH!
Yeow! The dynamite! It's going to

Explode!
KA-BOOM!
Poor old Grasper! I hope he didn't
Just you wait till I catch you, McDuck! Rant! Fume!
Yoicks! I'm out of here!
That's enough! I think we have an open and shut case
and what find the ladies and gentlemen of the jury?

Monsieur le Judge, we are all of one mind ze verdict is **guilty**
Objection your honour!
On what grounds, may I ask? You must see that the defendant has **condemned himself!**
The evidence we saw was only **circumstantial** your honour! We want to hear what **Grasper Gribley** has to say!
Very well.

So...
How's it going?
TAP!
TAP!
We need the lamp now!
Let's hope he hasn't gone far
There he is
Mr Gribley!
Eek!

We need you to sort out this diamond mine business
Not before time!
Lead on, shrimp-bait
If you'll just slip these on, sir!
Whoa. I ain't takin' part in no weird experiment!
Ooops-a-daisy!
Whelp!
There. That didn't hurt, did it?

What th
blazes?
ZAP!
There's that galoot!
I want what's due me!
We are here to ensure that
justice is done!
Let the
plaintiff tell
his story!
ZING!
You go hundreds of years without
a movie then two come along at
the same time!

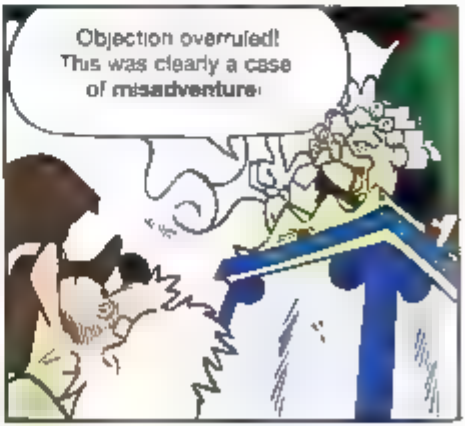
can't wait to see McDuck s face wher I strike it rich
Do I feel lucky today
CRUNCH!
You re trespassin McDuck, an this map proves it
Wak!

It's a dream come true! The look on McDuck's face
Whazzat?
It's just McDuck's buggy
BUMP!
Kind of him to lend me his tools, to scoop up my diamonds!
Haw-haw...
...haw!
Yowch!

No! McDuck's dynamite
FIZZ!
Yowp! This is hopeless !
Gotta get out here before
KABOOM!
This evidence casts a new light on the proceedings
ZING!
What does the jury say?

We find ze defendant **not guilty,** your honour!
Hooray!

Objection! What about all my **diamonds?**


Objection overruled! This was clearly a case of **misadventure!**

Although Scrooge McDuck carried a sense of guilt for many years, the destruction of Grasper Gribley s mine could in no way be deemed his fault!
Amazing, nephew! You didn t mess-up!
But I am awarding damages from Mr McDuck to Mr Gribley
amounting to a dinner and a new suit of clothes!
Okay, folks... Time to get back to reality!
TAP! TAP!

Shortly after
THRIFT STORE NOTHING OVER A DOLLAR
That was real cheap Uncle Scrooge!
I forgive you this once, but the food better be plenty good!
Follow me I know just the place!
GREASY SPOON
Seven hot dogs please, and plenty of onions if they don't cost extra!

He wouldn't even pay for extra chilli sauce!
The lowest.
Never mind! Let's let bygones be bygones, eh old friend?
?
Take care now!
Suppose I'd better pay..
My wallet it's gone! It must've been that grasping Grasper!
Serves you right for being so mean Ha-ha!
END

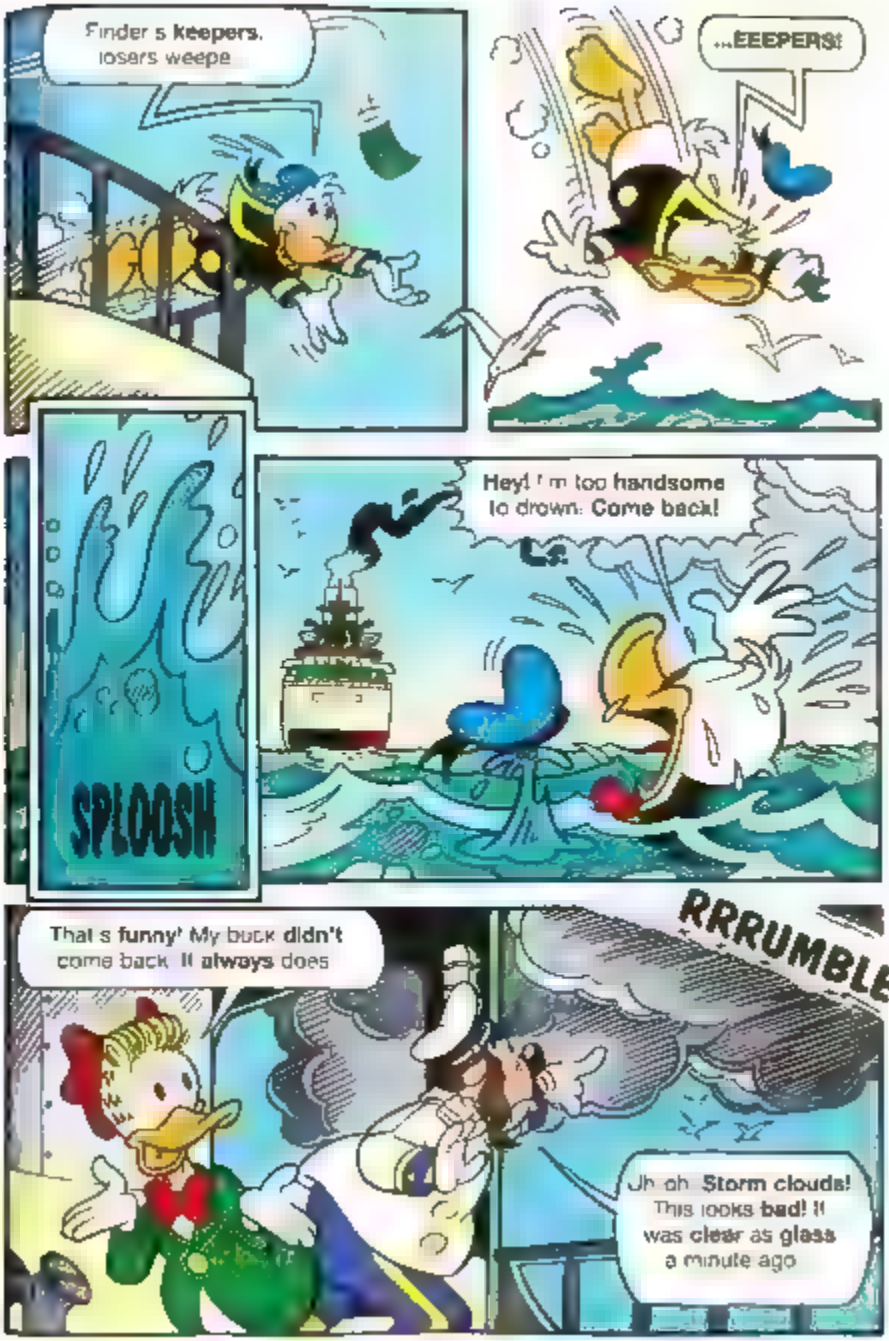
Walt Disney
Lots of Luck
Yikes! Those guys mean business! Thank goodness for Gladstone's luck!
Nothing can hurt me!

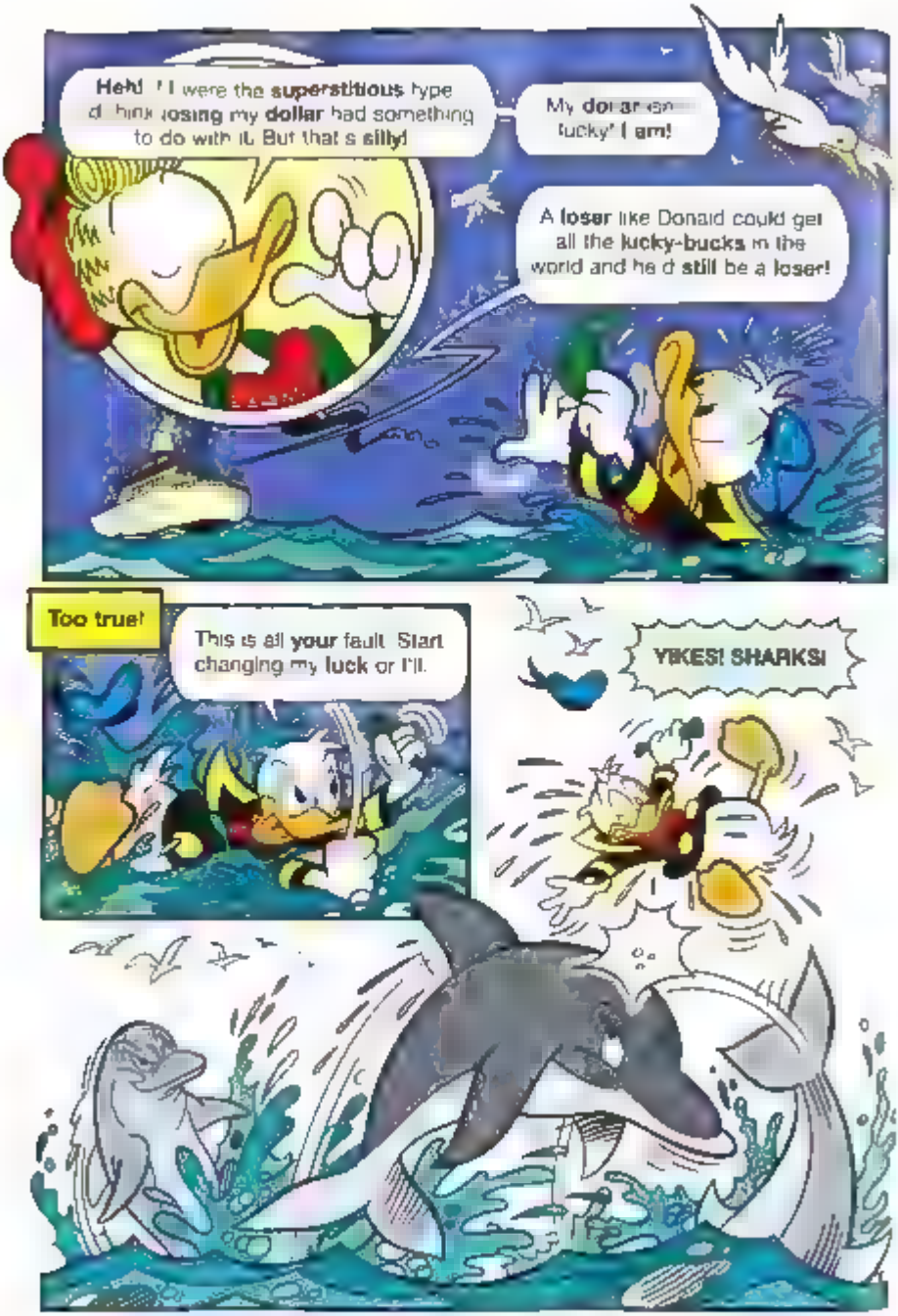
Our tale begins on a luxury cruise —
What a day! Aren't we lucky to be here, cousin? At least I am!
Hmph!
I know! I know! You're the luckiest duck on earth! You won this boat trip, right?
No
I won this boat!
The owner and I made a teensy bet. Yawn!
Phooey! You and your luck! Where did it all come from, anyway?

Sigh... was just **born** lucky Donald. Funny, though... now that you mention it...
Uncle Scrooge gave me a worthless, foreign bill when I was born, he called it a **lucky-buck!**
I've carried it with me ever since... **see?**
Yeow! That **must** be it!
Unca Scrooge thinks his **first dime** is a talisman! Maybe his **buck** brought you **luck**
Bosh!

I'm naturally lucky! It's just the way I am!
Phooey! Me... I'm a self-made man! Luck didn't get me where I am today!
So! There you are slacker!
Get those decks swabbed, pronto!
Eeep!
Sorry, Sir! That stowaway tried to get a free holiday, but he has to work his way home now!
Tsk, Tsk! Imagine!
Phooey!

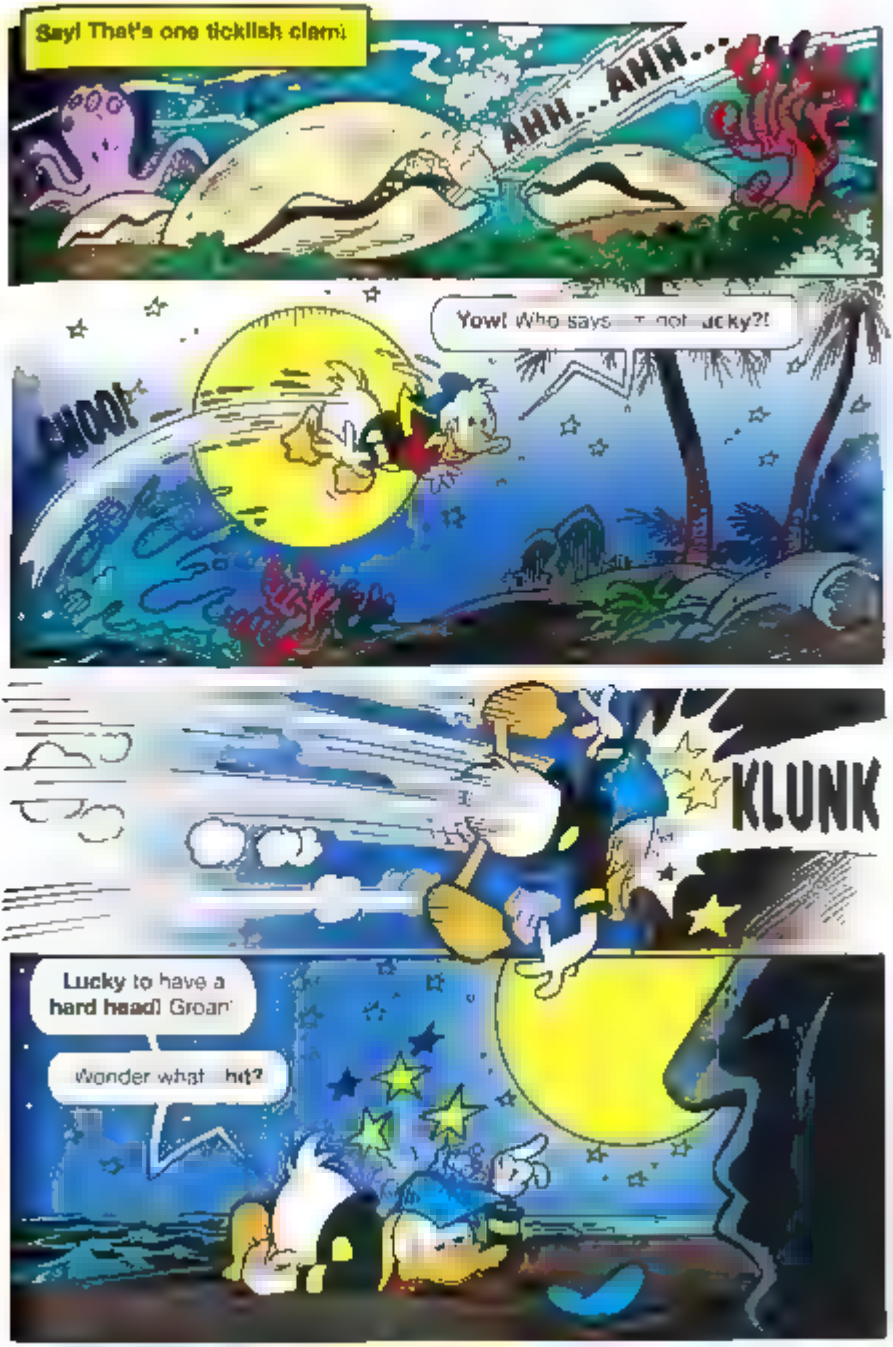
Say! You've got a pretty rare oriental dollar there! The guy on the front's Fang Fu! Legend says he used black magic to try and overthrow some ancient emperor!
Anyway... just came to say we're heading home— Hey!
WHOOSH
I'll get it!
Yawn! Don't bother! It'll come back. It always does
m lucky that way
RRUMBLE
Oh?
Don't be too sure, Gladstone!
Not fair! He has all the luck, and I'm stuck with good looks!
Boy! If... had Gladstone's luck, I'd... Huh?


Finder s keepers,
losers weepe
...EEEPERS!
SPLOOSH
Hey! I m too handsome
to drown. Come back!
That s funny! My buck didn't
come back. It always does
RRRUMBLE
Uh-oh. Storm clouds!
This looks bad! It
was clear as glass
a minute ago


Heh! If I were the superstitious type I'd think losing my dollar had something to do with it. But that's silly!
My dollar's so lucky! I am!
A loser like Donald could get all the lucky-bucks in the world and he'd still be a loser!
Too true!
This is all your fault. Start changing my luck or I'll...
YIKES! SHARKS!

Ah! Not sharks, porpoises! Oh, lucky day!
Some luck! Hey, I'm no basketball! Put me down, you guys!
Guys.
Guys?
Hours later —
Hey! An island! What luck! Okay, guys. For the last time
PUT ME DOWN!
Hey! I meant there! Not—

here!
Glab!
dozen of giant clams
with pearls to match
Hotcha! This is
my lucky day
Uh-oh
Some luck! This is your
fault, you dumb dollar!


Say! That's one ticklish clam!
AHH...AHH...
Yow! Who says I'm not lucky?!
WOOF
KLUNK
Lucky to have a hard head! Groan
Wonder what hit?

Yipes!
Monsters to my right!
Monsters to my left!
Lucky-buck or not
I'm outta here!
Ooo!
WHUMP!

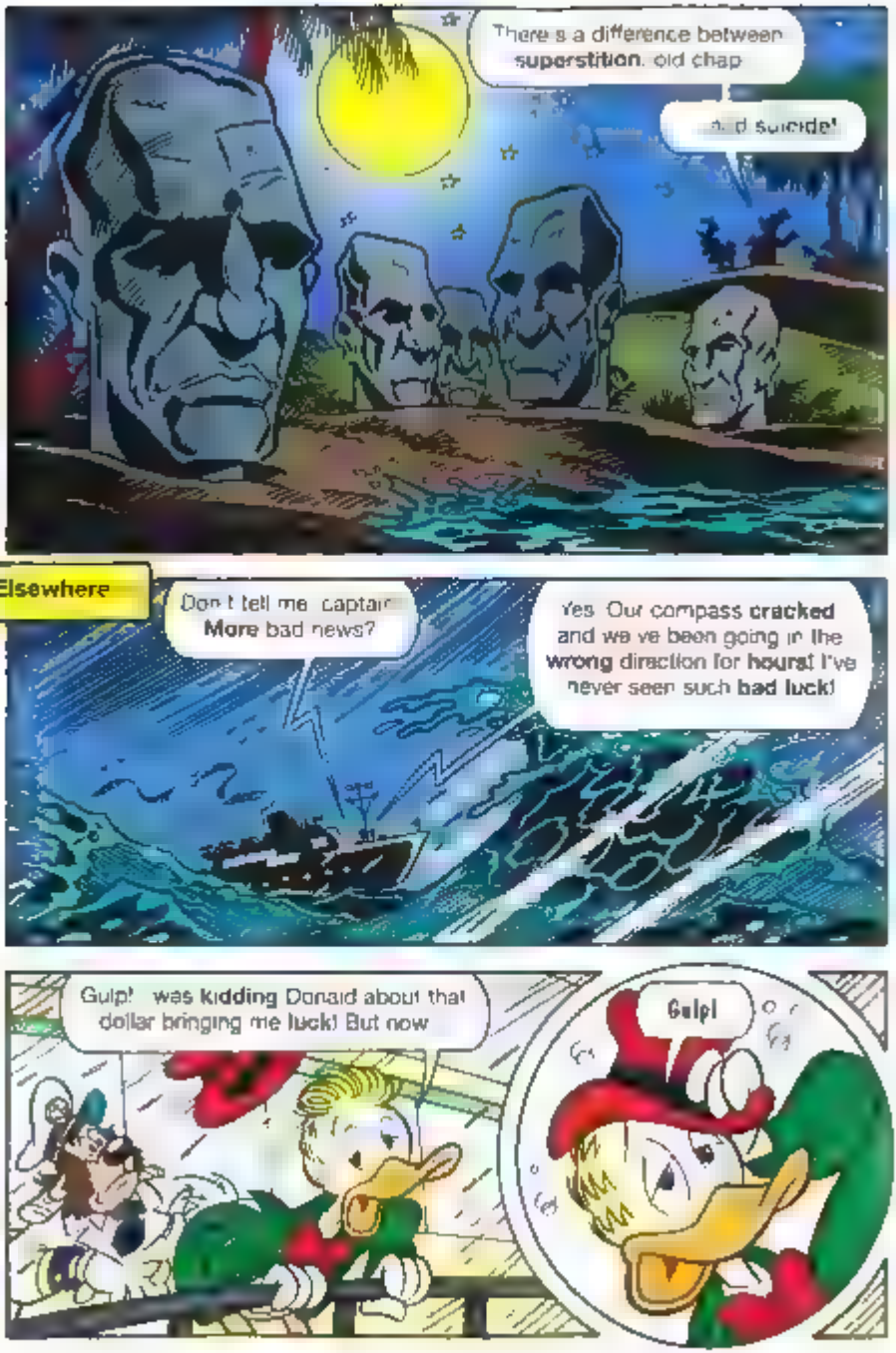
Groan! Don't tell me
he's the big boss, right?
Oh, why do I always have to be so right?
Meanwhile—
This deck needs cleaning
Where's Donald?
Goofing off somewhere, sir
But we've got other worries, Mr. Gander
Look!

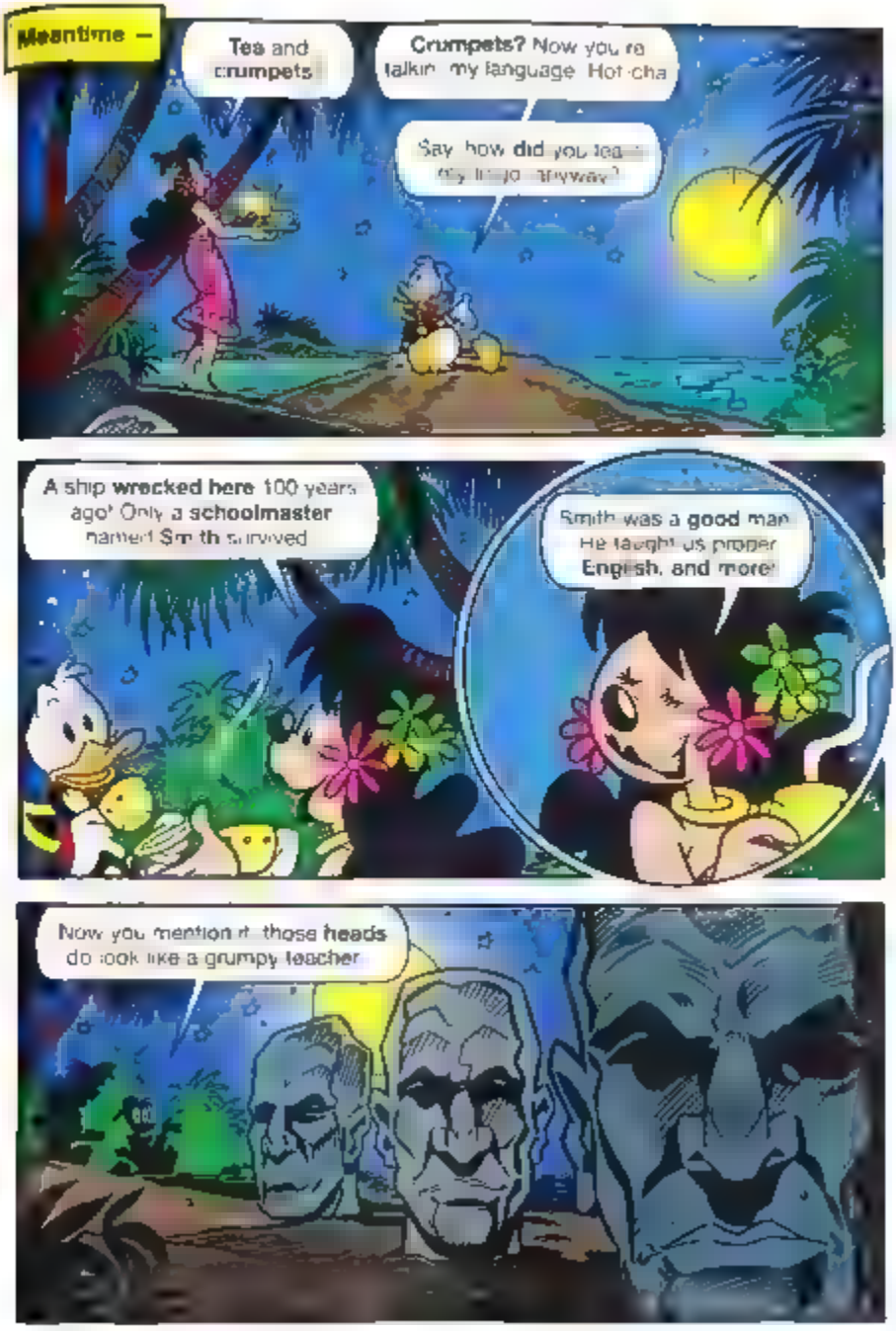
The storm's getting worse! We'll never get back to Duckburg on time. Talk about bad luck!
Funny! You lost your lucky dollar
and we've been in hot water ever since!
Speaking of hot water —
Grub. Some lucky buck!
Donald Duck some cannibal's TV dinner!

I say old chap! You speak English too? What luck
Huh? You speak my lingo?
Swell! We'll chat about the weather!
Then you can eat me
Eat you? No! We just thought you'd enjoy a nice hot bath after your long journey
I'm Chief Cha-cha and this is my daughter Hot-cha!
Come! Finish your bath! Then we feast
Oh, boy! Chow!

Soon
Chiefy
lucky buck
Lucky Buck?
superstitious rot?
lucky
superstitious
Me? believe in
mango fairy!
Snicker! And
talking pineapples
We believe in
work! Only an idiot
depends on luck!
Yeah? moron
depend work!

Work!
Work!
Luck!
Luck
BAM
POW
WHAM
Huff! Puff!
Phooey on this fun-fest! If anyone wants me, I'll be visiting those rock-heads!
You meet a better class of hard-head there!
No! Not there, old chap. That beach is cursed!
Haw! Sure glad you're not superstitious


There's a difference between superstition, old chap
...d suicide!
Elsewhere
Don't tell me, captain! More bad news?
Yes. Our compass cracked and we've been going in the wrong direction for hours! I've never seen such bad luck!
Gulp! I was kidding Donald about that dollar bringing me luck! But now
Gulp!

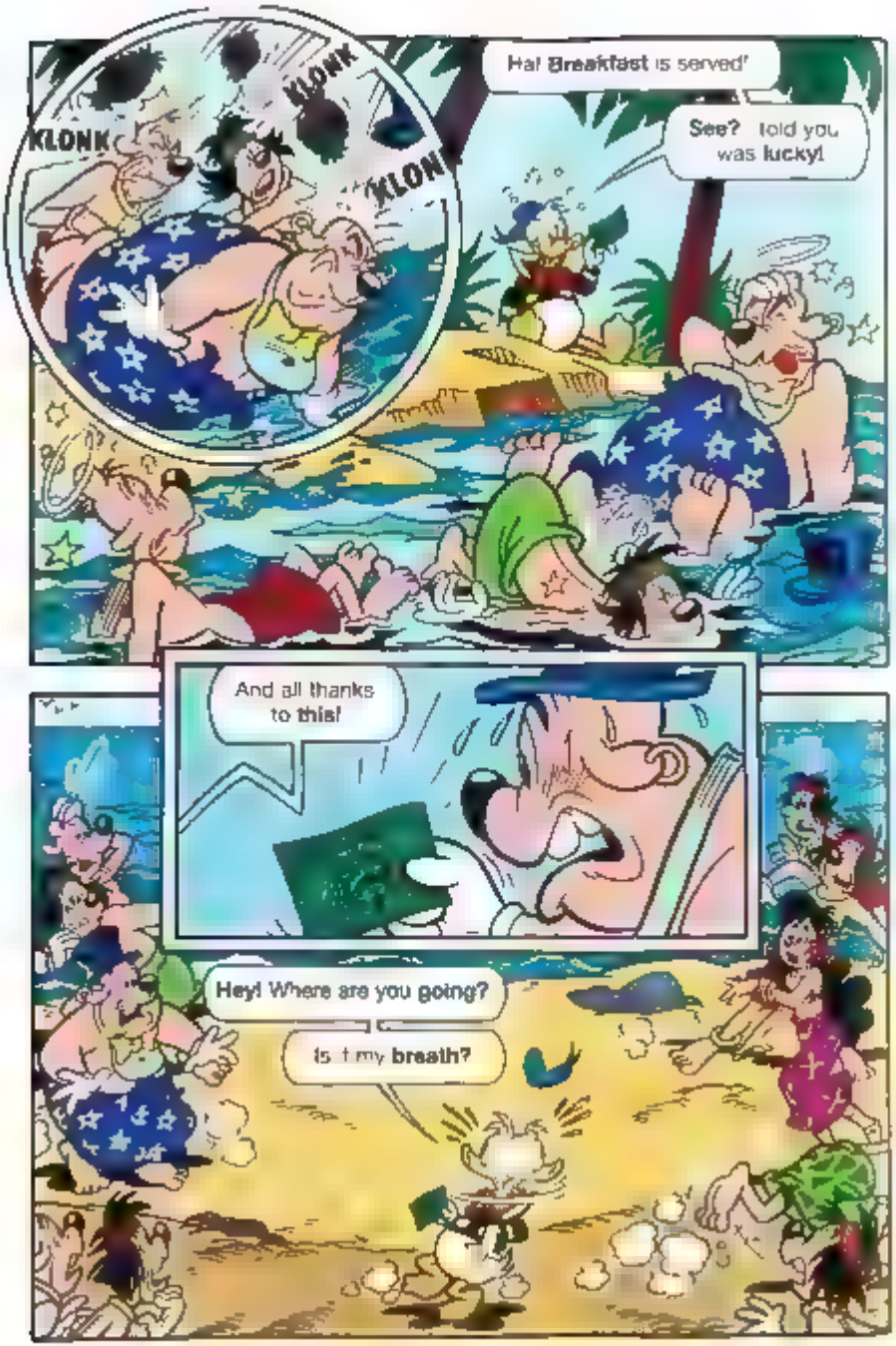

Meantime —
Tea and crumpets
Crumpets? Now you're talkin' my language. Hot cha
Say, how did you lea
A ship wrecked here 100 years ago! Only a schoolmaster named Smith survived
Smith was a good man. He taught us proper English, and more!
Now you mention it, those heads do look like a grumpy teacher

The heads were there many generations before Schoolmaster Smith! Another visitor to our island, a man of evil magic, had them carved ages ago!
That part of our island is cursed, Donald! Avoid it!
Haw! Don't sweat it, Hot-cha! My luck can kill any curse!
My luck, too, that lots of ships seem to land here!
Oh, yes, Many! You, and Schoolmaster Smith!
And the sorcerer!

That's it? Three people? In thousands of years?
Gleam!
Gladstone s feeling a bit sad too –
More bad luck, sir. The radio s wrecked. We can t call for help.
Groan!
Why did I ever take my luck for granted.

Things look brighter in the morning —
Hiya, chief! Fishing or just drowning worms?
Getting a spot of breakfast, old chap! I expect to snag a fish quite soon!
Phooey on "soon!" Can't fry "m oozing luck!
Bosh
Luck has nothing to do with fishing! It's skill and patience! Luck is for losers!
Oh, yeah? Well, this loser's gonna luck into the biggest fish you ever saw! Gimme!
Hey!

Ha! I got something! It's big! It's huge! It's
Yikes! A lobster!
Yowch! Let go!
And to think doubted his luck! Chuckie!
Yow!
Yow!
Yow!
More luck!
BONK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Ha! Breakfast is served!
See? I told you I was lucky!
And all thanks to this!
Hey! Where are you going?
Is it my breath?

It... It's the face on the note!
Come! I'll show you!
Huff, puff! This better be good. Hot-cha
It's not good at all! See? Over there.
Yikes! It's the face on my lucky-buck!

Meantime —
Mr. Gander! I've got good news and bad news. First... can I find your lazy cousin anywhere
Sigh! And the bad news s...?
That!
Wak!
Sob! Where, oh where, is my lucky buck!?
Here, Gladstone!
How can this guy be that guy too?

I don't know! But if his face is on your note no good can come of it.
I don't get it! Who is this guy?
"The sorcerer Fang Fu! Blown here by an ill wind, ages ago!"
"He brought jewels and magic potions to cure our sick!"
Ooh. Cool!

Oh, boy! No wonder this dollar's so lucky!
Lucky? That's what our ancestors thought!
But they were wrong too!
Fang Fu only pretended to be their friend so they'd carve the giants out of stone! He said they were a gift for his people
"...but he lied!"
Very cool!

"When the statues were finished, Feng Fu opened a jar of lightning and brought them to life!"
AWAKE!
forced
rafts
Bigger!

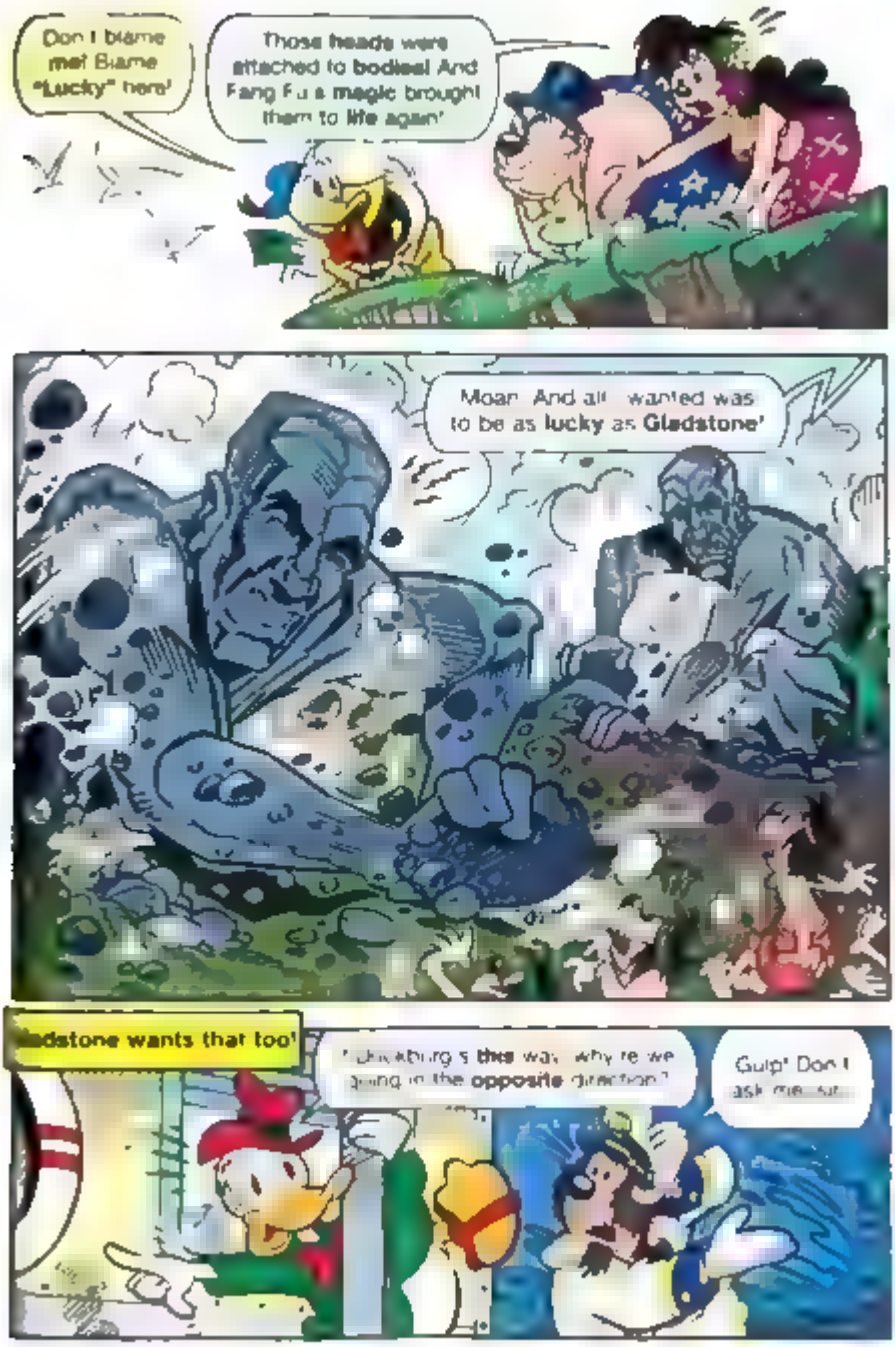
All that so he could take them fishing?
No! It turned out his people had banished him so he wanted the giants for revenge!
"We couldn't let him, but before we could do anything the gods acted!"
Eek!
"That night the sky wept with rage and the gods threw bolts of angry fire!"

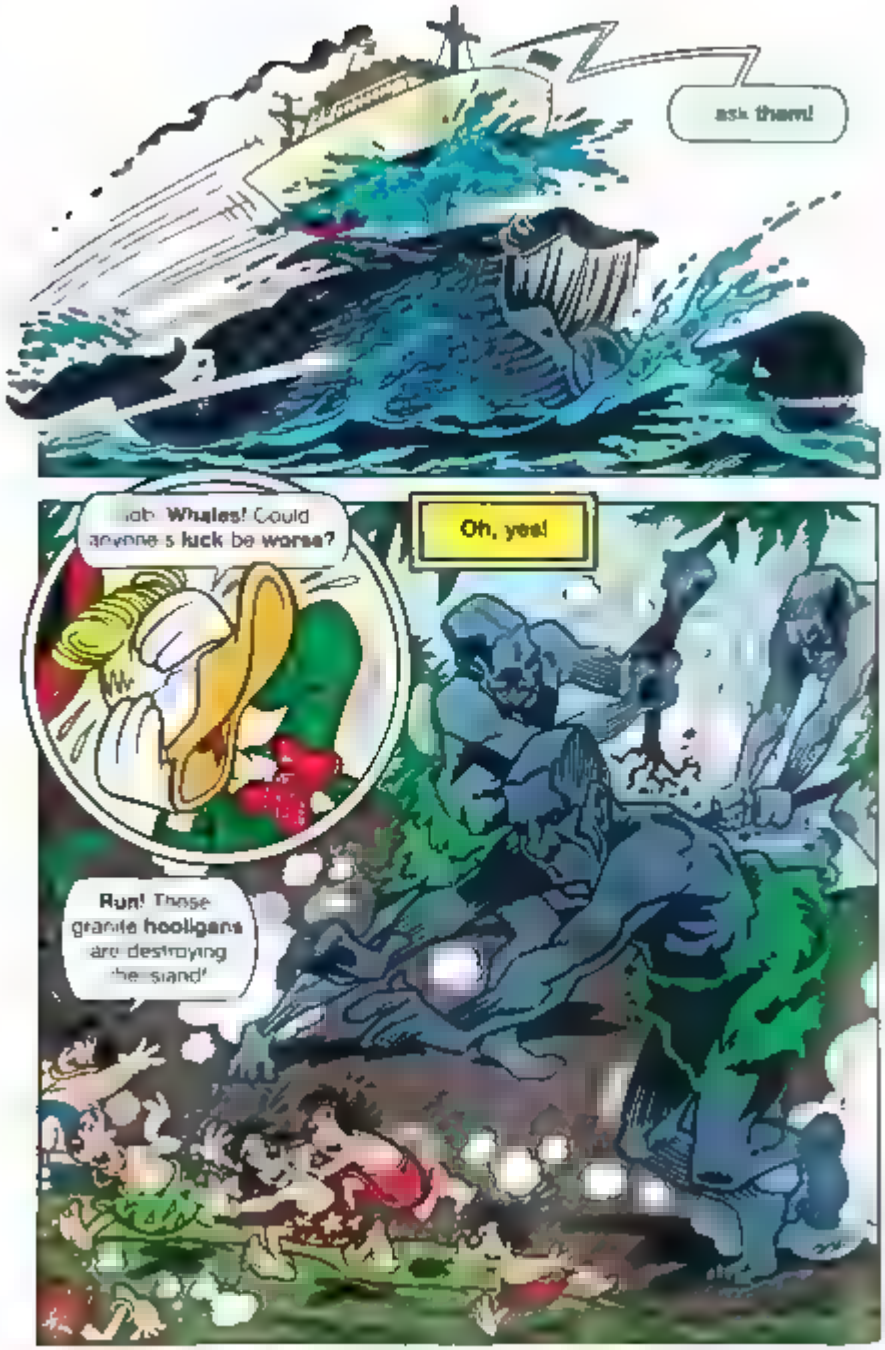
Next morning only heads of the giants remained and Fang Fu was replaced by this stone statue!
Fu and his evil deeds were brought to the highest point on the island so we could keep an eye on them!
Oh, brother! And you say I'm superstitious?
Even if that dumb story was true my luck can cure any curse!
That story isn't as dumb as you are duck!
Who are you calling dumb, stupid?

Half wit!
Idiot!
Moron!
Stupid!
WHAM
BAM
POW
Hey!
The wizard's jars! They're falling!
CRASH

Ha Got It!
BONK
Uh-oh!
CRASH

Gulp! Am going nuts
or are those heads moving?!
See what you did!
CRUNC
CRAKK!


Don't blame me! Blame "Lucky" here!
Those heads were attached to bodies! And Fang Fu's magic brought them to life again!
Moan. And all I wanted was to be as lucky as Gladstone!
dstone wants that too!
kburg's this way... why're we going in the opposite direction?
Gulp! Don't ask me...

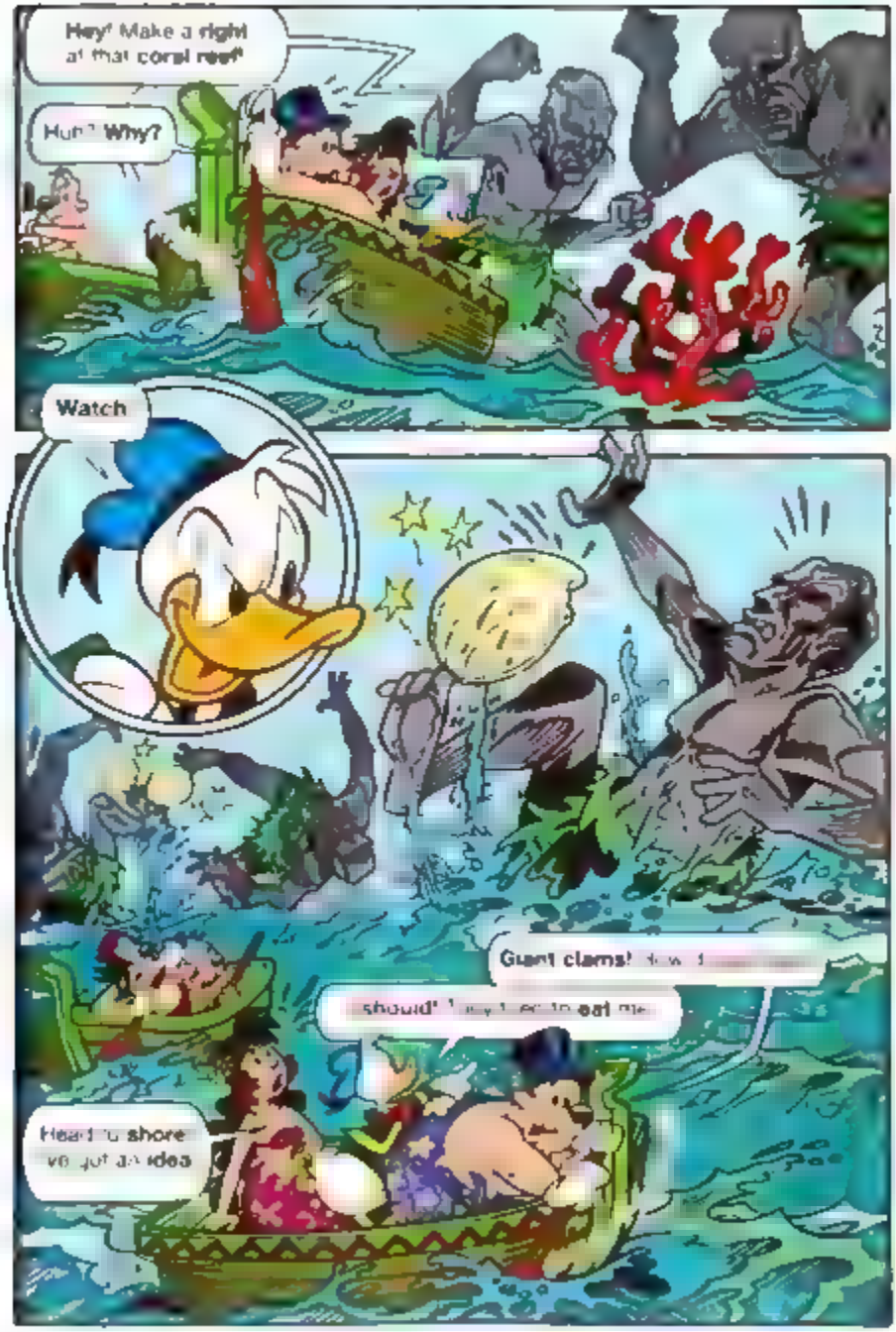

ask them!
...ob. Whales! Could anyone's luck be worse?
Oh, yes!
Run! These granite hooligans are destroying the island!

Oh no! What have I done?
Hey! What am I saying?
It's all your fault, Lucky! Bad dollar!
Father! Donald! Fang Fu had to control the monsters somehow! Perhaps this second jar holds something to reverse the first
Oboy! Lucky I caught it, huh?
Indeed! After you dropped it
Details!
Boy, now my luck is back, yow!

POOF
CRASH
Sigh. Our one chance to stop them up in smoke!
Cough!
More of your blasted luck, old chap?
Gulp!

I am lucky! Lucky! Lucky! Lu..
...oop!
K-K-KRAK!
WAAAHH!
This is luck?
KLONK

CRASH
Well we're lucky to be alive aren't we?
They might disagree!
Head for the boats!
It's no use! They're catching up
C'mon Lucky! Give!


Hey! Make a right at that coral reef!
Huh? Why?
Watch
Giant clams!
should've
eat me
Heard to shore
ve got an idea

Meantime —
Oh my long-gone luck! Storms! Cyclones! Whales! Wha next?
Whirlpool
Sir!
It turns the ship around again! Sob ll never see Duckburg again! And used to be so lucky...
Speaking of "lucky" —
The clams will keep em busy for a while!
Quick thinking old chap! very smart!

I'm not smart! I'm lucky!
Smart!
Lucky!
Smart!
Lucky!
Smart!
WHAM
BAM
POW
Stop fighting! They've seen us!
Gulp! You mentioned a plan, old chap?

Sure! They'll climb to get us, see? Then they fall and break into a million pieces
Did I mention how lucky I am?
That's it? That's your plan? Dumb luck?
Donald, old chap... was wrong. You are lucky!
Luck is the only way an idiot like you could've lived this long!
Oh yeah? I'll show you! I can prop up those stone slabs without using my amazing luck!
?
You guys. Haul that statue here, quickly!
?

Aim for their skulls! We'll pound them into pebbles!
Luck, huh? Ha! Donald Duck make his own. Hey!
WHOOSH
Donald! Look out!
Ha! Gotcha!
Oof!
Oof!
Oof!
Oops!

Uip! Missed!
At least you saved us from those terrible palm trees!
SPRINGS
not
Donald! Please. No more luck

Whew! It smashed into that dead volcano!
Amazing! With your luck I thought we'd be smashed flat!
Say, chiefy
didn't you say that was a dead volcano?
RRRUMBLE
Not anymore!
BOOM

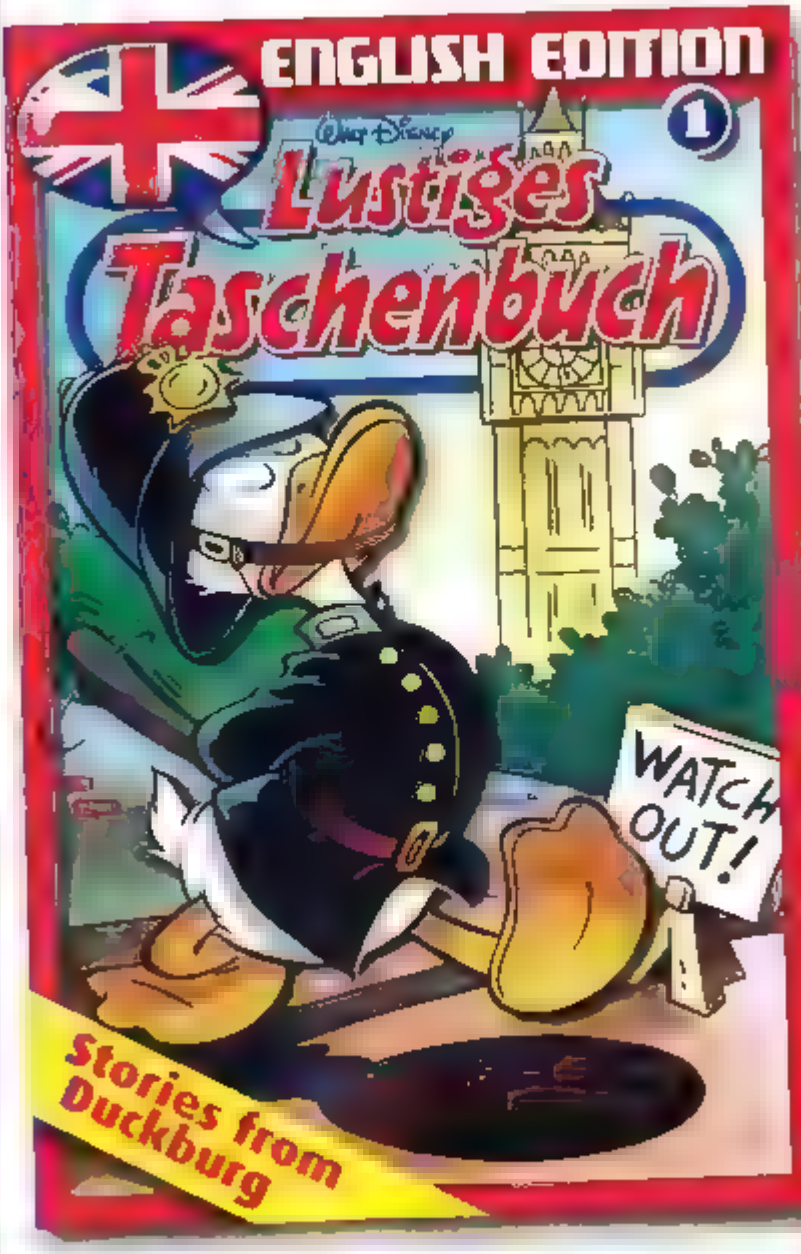
sa d chap
how much more good luck can we survive!?

Hours later —
Say! Isn't this where I came in?
Our volcano produces the **same blue smoke** as in Fang Fu's jar
I'd bet that's what took care of the grunts the **first time!**
I say! What's **wrong** old chap? You proved you **were** lucky after all!
Yeah
when I tried to prove I could manage **without** luck. **Phooey!**
If I was **really** lucky I'd be back in **Duckburg!** I even **miss** Gladsto—
TOOT
Hey!

Ahoy, landlubber! Need a ride?!
Gladstone! I never thought
d be happy to see you!
Not so fast, freeloader!
No free rides on this boat!
Gulp! B-But...
Ha! No problem, old coin!
We d planned to give
you these trinkets, Donald! But
we'll give them to Gladstone
to pay your way!

Rubies! Diamonds! B-But I... he... they...
Oh, and I'll take that too, cuz I lost one like it yesterday! Had nothing but bad luck since!
Aha! I was right! Without that lucky-buck, you're just a luckless slob like me!
Hardly! I thought I was unlucky, but my natural luck was working triple-time to get these trinkets!
And more important
It made me really appreciate how lucky I am to be so lucky!
Now that's luck

Shortly —
Bye old chap Do drop by for tea next time you crash here!
Gee! Guess I am pretty lucky after all having friends like that And a free cruise too!
Yeah
except you still have to work off your trip out here!
Ulp!
And so —
It s not fair! I swab, he tazes!
Phooey! Some guys have all the luck!
END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WATCH OUT!
Stories from Duckburg

CHARACTER FILES

DONALD DUCK

Occupation: Underpaid drudge for Scrooge McDuck who sometimes works at the Margarine Factory, but would much rather be loafing about

Characteristics: Accident-prone with a terrible temper!

Family & Friends: Scrooge McDuck, Grandma Duck, Gyro Gearloose, Gladstone Gander and Huey, Dewey & Louie

Love Interest: Daisy Duck (with a temper to match Donald's own), even though they squabble a lot Donald knows she's "The One"

MICKEY MOUSE

Occupation: Adventurer!

Characteristics: Curious, happy-go-lucky and smart.

Family & Friends: Goofy, Horace Horsecollar and Clarabelle.

Love Interest: Minnie Mouse

SCROOGE McDUCK

Occupation: Tycoon and World Champion Miser

Characteristics: Hardworking, stubborn, extremely tight-fisted yet honest.

Family & Friends: Donald Duck, Grandma Duck, Gladstone Gander, Daisy Duck, Gyro Gearloose and Huey, Dewey & Louie

Love Interest: None. That would be an unprofitable waste of time (and time's money) although a certain Brigitta MacBridge claims they have a very special relationship

GOOFY

Occupation: None

Characteristics: Sees the world from a different perspective than most people (not that there's anything wrong with that) he just has his own "Goofy Logic"!

Family & Friends: Mickey Mouse (his best pal), Minnie Mouse and Horace Horsecollar

Love Interest: Clarabelle (but Horace is often his rival

CHARACTER FILES

MAGICA DE SPELL

Occupation: Ful time sorceress
Characteristics: Obsessive sly and very dangerous.
Family & Friends: She's warned us not to mention any (and it's best not to anger her)
Love Interest: Power and extreme wealth (Scrooge's #1 dime will see to that)

GLADSTONE GANDER

Occupation: Hah!
Characteristics: Smug, se f confident and insanely lucky.
Family & Friends: Dona d Duck, Scrooge McDuck, Grandma Duck and Huey, Dewey & Lou e
Love Interest: Da sy (outwitting Donald when wooing Daisy s at least half the fun)

HUEY, DEWEY & LOUIE DUCK

Occupation: Still in school
Characteristics: Br ght nquis tive and always ready to give Unca Donald a hard t me
Family & Friends: Donald Duck Scrooge McDuck Grandma Duck Da sy Duck, Gyro Gearloose and G adstone Gander
Love Interest: "Y JK!"

[illegible] GEARLOOSE

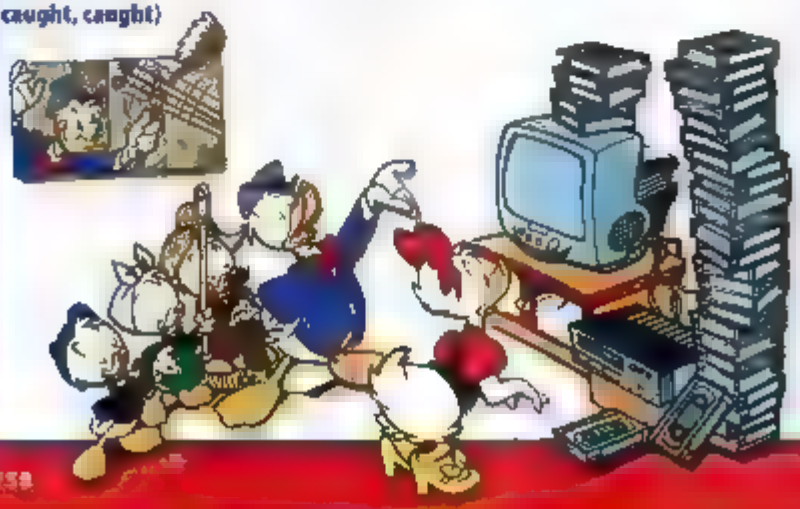
Occupation: Inventor.
Characteristics: Very friendly, extremely he pful and above all... clever, really clever
Family & Friends: L tt e Helper and a l of the Duck Family
Love Interest: Inventing things is his main passion in life

DICTIONARY

Healthy Choice

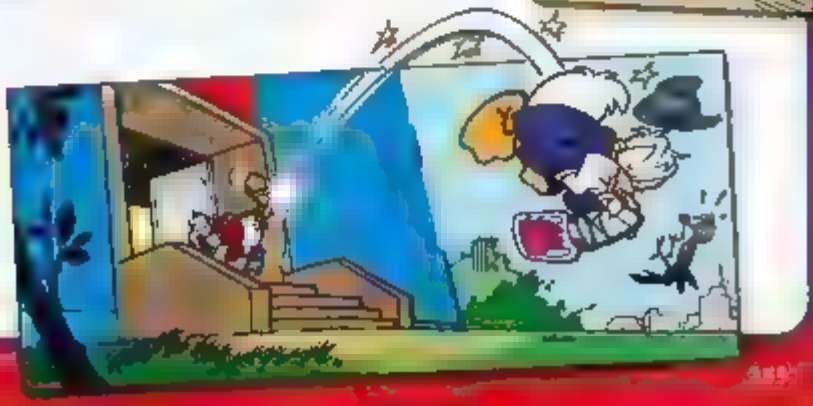
Page: 5 to 42

(to) come along (came, come)	kommen, vorbei kommen
scalawag, scallywag	Taugenichts, Schlingel, Strolch
(to) peddle	hausieren, feilbieten, verkaufen
trinket	(hier) wertloses Zeug
salesmanship	Verkaufstechnik
(to) cope with	fertigwerden mit, zurechtkommen mit
(to) apply	(hier) einsetzen, anwenden
track record	Erfolgsgeschichte
(to) be sold on something / somebody	von etwas / jemandem begeistert sein
sales pitch	Verkaufsmasche, Verkaufstechnik
(to) major in something	etwas im Hauptfach studieren
(to) pollinate	bestäuben
sniffles	(hier) Schnupfen
(to) catch a cold (caught, caught)	sich erkälten



DICTIONARY

money-back guarantee	Geld-zurück-Garantie; Geldrückgabe bei Nichtgefallen
a drop in revenue	Umsatzeinbuße, Einnahmerückgang
(to) retool	neu ausrüsten (mit Maschinen etc.)
reinforcement	Verstärkung
fee	(hier) Provision
(to) outsell someone (outsold, outsold)	mehr als jemand verkaufen; mehr als jemand verkaufen; höhere Verkaufszahlen als ein anderer haben
outlet	(hier) Abnehmer, Absatzmarkt
reliable	zuverlässig, verlässlich, seriös, vertrauenswürdig
quack	Quacksalber, Kurpfuscher
liability	Belastung
asset	Vermögenswerte, Aktivposten, Aktiva
ruthless	rücksichtslos, skrupellos
self-made	aus eigener Kraft
halfwit	Schwachkopf
complaint	Beschwerde
(to) be in a fix	in der Klemme stecken
(to) grovel	kriechen



DICTIONARY

A Girl For Gladstone

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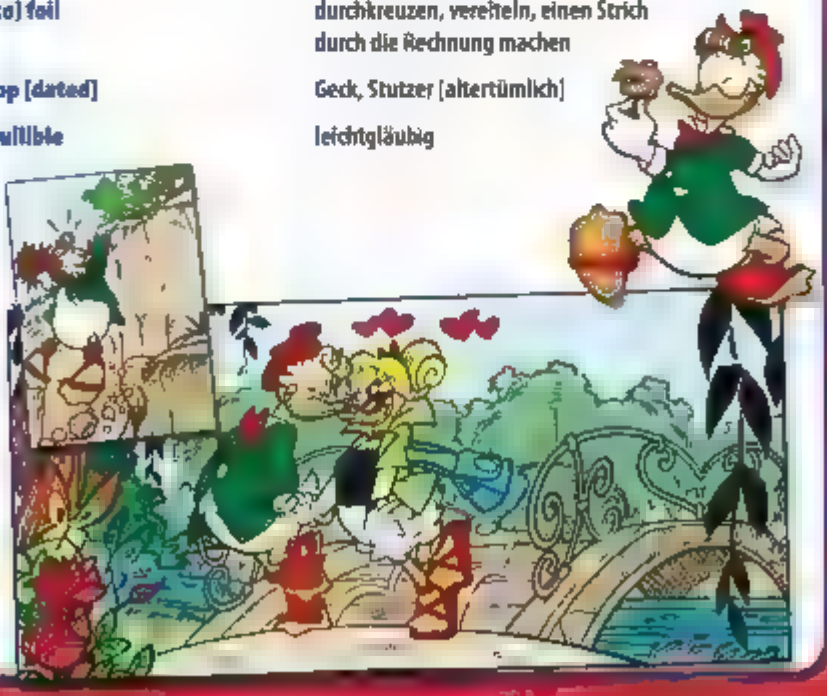
(to) favour someone	bevorzugen
rut	Spur, Furche
[redacted]	Tölpel
tan (also: suntan)	Bräune
(to) squawk	(hier): sich beklagen, quäken
ingredient	Zutat, Bestandteil, Ingredienz
footloose	ungebunden, unbeschwert
bachelor	Junggeselle
duck (coll.)	(hier) Tölpel, Depp
peculiar	seltsam, eigentümlich, eigenartig
gutter	Gosse, Rinnstein
(to) abandon	verlassen, sitzenlassen
(to) be flat broke (coll.)	völlig abgebrannt / pleite sein
(to) skedaddle	türmen, Reißaus nehmen

DICTIONARY

(to) leave somebody in the lurch (left, left)	jemanden im Stich lassen, jemanden hängen lassen
pittance	Hungerlohn
[redacted]	(Halb-)Gamasche
self-esteem	Selbstwertgefühl, Selbstachtung
(to) be at rock-bottom	auf dem Tiefpunkt sein
gnat	(Stech)mücke
spinster	Unverheiratete, Ledige, alte Jungfer
[redacted]	freudlos, trostlos, öde, düster
miser	Geizhals, Geizkragen
(to) be out on an errand	Besorgungen machen
skinflint	Geizhals, Knicker
(to) foil	durchkreuzen, vereiteln, einen Strich durch die Rechnung machen
fop [dated]	Geck, Stutzer [altertümlich]
gullible	leichtgläubig



DICTIONARY

Boxful Of Troubles

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(to) haggle	feilschen
[illegible]	Zeichen
[illegible]	schlummern
(to) tie someone up (tied, tied)	jemanden fesseln
(to) deter someone from [illegible]	jmdn. von etwas abhalten, an etwas hindern
forwarding address	Nachsendeadresse
(to) sprain	verstauchen
The jig is up	Das Spiel ist aus
(to) beat so to it [illegible]	jmdm. zuvorkommen
(to) elude	entkommen, sich entziehen
(to) retrieve	wiederfinden, wiedererlangen
(to) simmer down	sich abregen, beruhigen
pesky	ärgerlich, nervtötend
(to) excavate	ausgraben
(to) unleash	freisetzen, entfesseln

DICTIONARY

goon	Rowdy, Schlägertyp
(to) fail someone	jemanden im Stich lassen
cumbersome	lästig
(to) outrun somebody (outran, outrun)	jemandem davonlaufen, entkommen
moving sidewalk	Fahrsteig, Rollsteig
(to) reverse	umkehren, umdrehen
(to) admit someone	jemanden einlassen
(to) swerve	(hier) ausschwenken, ausweichen
(to) make a fuss	einen großen Wirbel machen
pothole	Schlagloch
nimble	flink, behände
buster	(hier) Bursche
(to) regret	bedauern, bereuen
dolt	Tölpel
(to) quit (quit/quitted, quit/quitted)	aufgeben, aufhören
indignities	Demütigungen
(to) disclose	offenbaren, offenlegen
(to) close in on something	(hier) sich etwas nähern

DICTIONARY

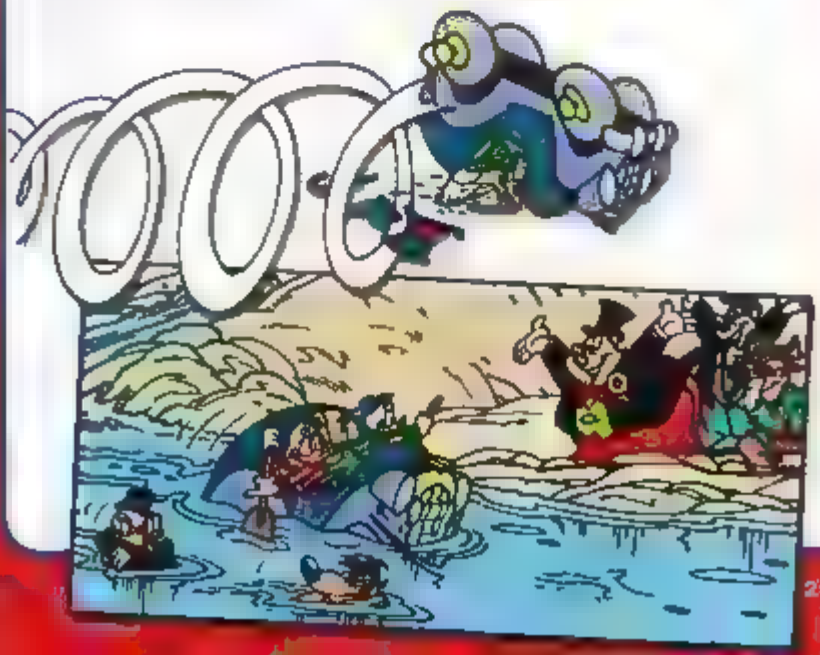
Crash Course

Page: 106 to 141

(to) be on time (was, been)	pünktlich sein
greasy	schmierig, fettig
jalopy	Karre, Klapperkiste
lift	Mitfahrgelegenheit
sideswipe	(hier) gegenseitiges Streifen
testimony	Zeugnis
(to) avoid	ausweichen, vermeiden
(to) challenge	herausfordern
(to) compete	gegeneinander antreten
on condition	unter der Bedingung
(to) iron out	(hier) bereinigen, ausbügeln, aus dem Weg räumen
mileage	(hier) Benzinverbrauch
concealed	verborgen, versteckt

DICTIONARY

treacherous	heimtückisch, tückisch
obstacle	Hindernis
tightwad	Geizkragen, Geizhals
(to) rebound	abprallen, zurückprallen
steep	abschüssig, steil
gadget	Gerät, Apparat
Don't cut it out!	Hören Sie nicht auf damit!
goggles	Schutzbrille
(to) reconsider	überdenken, neu abwägen
[illegible]	(hier) Feigling
(to) catch up with somebody (caught, caught)	jemanden einholen
spendthrift	Verschwender
contraption	Vorrichtung, neumodischer Apparat, Vehikel, Kiste
(to) go along (went, gone)	mitgehen, mitkommen



DICTIONARY

The Ghost Rats Of Hamelin

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savings	Rücklagen, Ersparnisse
damages	Schadenersatz
(to) pester	bedrängen, plagen
(to) index	indexieren, katalogisieren
(to) take charge of something	sich um etwas kümmern
(to) refocus	sich neu konzentrieren
supernatural	übernatürlich
(to) put something into action	etwas in die Tat umsetzen
abroad	im Ausland
assignment	Arbeitseinsatz
freelance	freiberuflich, freischaffend, selbstständig
(to) be wary of something	sich vor etwas hüten, auf der Hut sein
invariably	beständig, immer, ausnahmslos
(to) solidify	verfestigen, erstarren
(to) bungle	vermasseln, verpfuschen

DICTIONARY

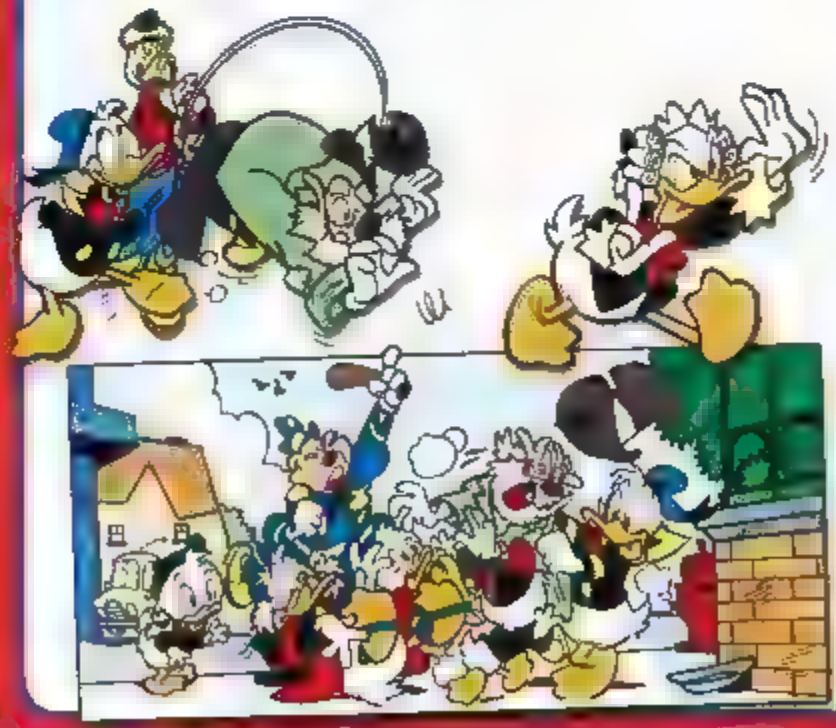
(to) hound	hetzen, jagen
(to) imply	andeuten, implizieren
(to) jump to conclusions	übereilte Schlüsse ziehen
(to) lure	ködern, anlocken
flare	[illegible]
prey	Beute
(to) corner	in die Enge treiben
beak	Schnabel
by accident	durch Zufall, (hier) versehentlich
(to) summon	herbeirufen
(to) be hot on someone's heels	jemandem dicht auf den Fersen sein
[illegible]	Gefahr, Plage
(to) sneer at someone / something	spotten, spöttisch / höhnisch grinsen
salary	Gehalt
(to) owe	schulden
expenses	Ausgaben, Auslagen

DICTIONARY

Guilty As Charged

Page: 180 to 205

fiend	Unhold, Feind
tramp	Landstreicher, Stadtstreicher
(to) run sb. in (ran, run)	(hier) verhaften
subconscious	Unterbewusstsein
The court is in session	(hier) Die Gerichtsverhandlung ist eröffnet
[illegible]	Zeugenstand
(to) lie through ones teeth (lied, lied)	nach Strich und Faden lügen
loafer	Faulenzer, Nichtstuer



DICTIONARY

tetchy	reizbar, mürrisch, empfindlich
circumstantial evidence	Indizienbeweis
not before time	Keine Minute zu früh
plaintiff	Ankläger
(to) scoop up	aufschaufeln
proceedings	Verfahren, Gerichtsverhandlung
defendant	Angeklagter, Beklagter
[illegible]	Missgeschick
(to) let bygones be bygones (let, let)	die Vergangenheit ruhen lassen

DICTIONARY

Lots Of Luck

Page: 204 to 255

(to) be on time (was, been)	pünktlich sein
greasy	schmierig, fettig
jalopy	Karre, Klapperkiste
lift	Mitfahrgelegenheit
sideswipe	(hier) gegenseitiges Streifen
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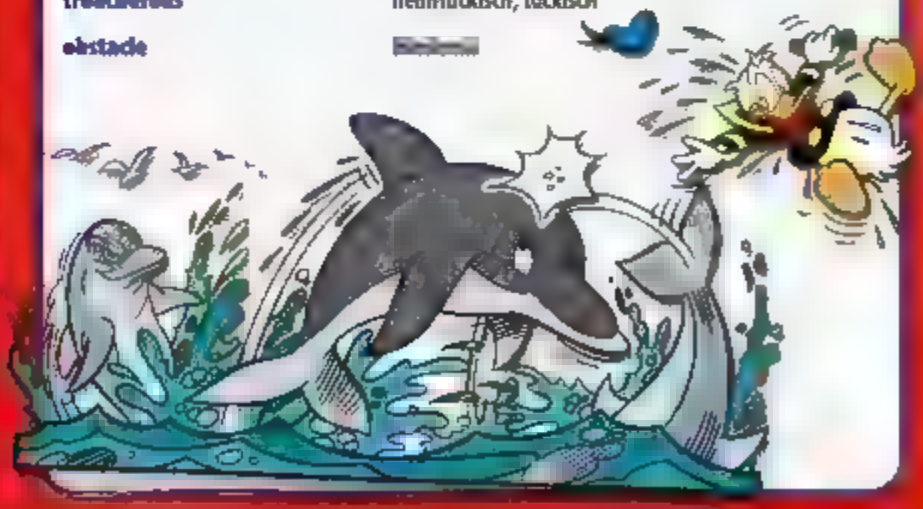

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